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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
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DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING THE SHOOTING OF

[REDACTED]; RACIAL MATTERS.

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NEW YORK THREE EIGHT ONE ZERO DASH S ASTERISK ADVISED SIX FIFTEEN SIXTY SIX, STANLEY LEVISON AND MARTIN LUTHER KING WERE IN CONTACT THIS DATE CONCERNING THE NEED FOR FUNDS FOR THE MISSISSIPPI MARCH. KING MADE REFERENCE TO SCLC CONFERENCE IN ATLANTA, ON SIX FOURTEEN SIXTY SIX, WHICH LEVISON ATTENDED, WHERE IT WAS DECIDED THAT VARIOUS CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN THE MARCH WILL SEND OUT THEIR OWN APPEALS FOR FUNDS. KING URGED LEVISON TO EXPEDITIOUSLY HANDLE SCLC APPEAL, AS THEY ARE IN DESPARATE NEED OF MONEY IN MISSISSIPPI.

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LEVISON SAID HE WOULD RUN FUND APPEAL LETTER IN NAME  
OF MARCH FUND. IN THE "NEW YORK TIMES". KING SAID  
MARCH IS GOING FAVORABLE AND MORE REGISTRATIONS ARE  
BEING MADE THAN EXPECTED.

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ON JUNE EIGHTEENTH, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX, NEW YORK THREE  
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 THAT LEVISON AND [REDACTED] SOUTHERN  
 CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE WERE IN CONTACT REGARDING  
 MISSISSIPPI MARCH.

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[REDACTED] REQUESTED LEVISON TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR GROUP  
 IN CHICAGO REFERRED TO AS "TRANSPORTATION GANG WORKSHOP"  
 TO MISSISSIPPI TO JOIN MARCH THERE. [REDACTED] SAID COST OF BUS

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HIRE IS ABOUT NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND WOULD PROVIDE FOR  
THREE DAY TRIP FROM CHICAGO TO MISSISSIPPI AND RETURN.

LEVISON WAS INSTRUCTED TO MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO WEST SIDE  
CHRISTIAN PARISH AND SEND IT TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHICAGO. LEVISON SAID  
HE WOULD SEND THAT ON SAME DATE. LHM FOLLOWS.

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Atlanta, Georgia  
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
RACIAL MATTERS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On June 15, 1966, a confidential source advised that on June 13, 1966, pursuant to instructions of Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), the following individuals held an all-day meeting at SCLC headquarters: Reverend KING, RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC; [redacted] SCLC; [redacted] SCLC; [redacted] CLARENCE JONES; STANLEY LEVISON; and HARRY WACHTEL.

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[redacted], SCLC, RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL, Program Director, SCLC, and HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration, SCLC, attended portions of this meeting.

The purpose of this meeting was to examine the current financial position of SCLC and determine methods whereby the monthly expenses of the organization might be reduced. As of June 13, 1966, computations made by the Finance Office, SCLC, reflected that during the preceding three month period, expenditures by SCLC exceeded receipts by approximately \$26,000 monthly.

At this meeting it was decided SCLC would immediately borrow \$20,000 from the Citizens Trust Company of Atlanta in order to meet the organization's June 15, 1966, payroll.

Reverend KING suggested that the monthly expenditures of SCLC be limited to \$50,000. In effort to enforce this limitation, a Steering Committee was appointed composed of Reverend KING, ABERNATHY and [redacted] Commencing July 1, 1966, departmental heads will be required to review anticipated expenditures with the Steering Committee and secure the permission of the committee prior to making such expenditures. In

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the event the Steering Committee is not available, [redacted] were appointed to act in place of this committee with their decisions subject to review by the committee.

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In further effort to enforce the aforementioned monthly limitation, it was decided that commencing July 1, 1966, each department of SCLC will be required to furnish to the Steering Committee for its review and recommendations a budget pertaining to the ensuing month.

The meeting decided that an immediate reduction in the number of individuals employed by SCLC was necessary in order to reduce current expenses. It was decided the service of several employees would be dispensed with after the June 15, 1966, payroll. According to source the decision to terminate these employees was made subsequent to appreciable discussion which considered whether the position occupied by the employee continued to be a necessary position and/or whether the employee's performance was commensurate with the salary paid to him. Services of the following employees were terminated: [redacted] (Harlem, New York, SCLC Office); [redacted] (Voter Registration); [redacted] (Field Secretary); [redacted] (Los Angeles Office); [redacted] (Voter Registration); [redacted] (Los Angeles Office); [redacted] (Finance Office); ROBERT SEALS (Messenger); CALVIN TURNER (Field Secretary).

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It was further decided that the salary of [redacted] would be reduced from \$6,000 annually to \$3,200 annually and the salary of [redacted] was reduced from \$9,000 annually to \$7,500 annually.

Source observed the foregoing deletion of personnel and adjustment of salaries would amount to a savings of approximately \$3,200 per month to SCLC.

In regard to the adjustment of [redacted] salary, Reverend KING stated he was not satisfied with the results of [redacted] fund raising efforts on behalf of SCLC and

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consequently did not feel his work justified his former salary. LEVISON took exception to Reverend KING's position, declaring the work done by [ ] was neither clearly understood nor evaluated by SCLC. LEVISON stated that [ ] work was far more valuable to SCLC (not explained) than Reverend KING believed it to be.

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The meeting took note of a seasonal decline in financial contributions received by SCLC. A majority of the individuals present expressed optimism that these contributions would shortly increase, particularly in light of current civil rights activity in Mississippi. Accordingly, it was decided SCLC would not presently incur indebtedness in addition to the aforementioned loan of \$20,000.

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Re Atlanta teletype 6/14/66 captioned as above,

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and 8 copies, for Los Angeles 1 copy and for New York 4 copies LHM.

Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted]

Source used to characterize CLARENCE JONES is [redacted]

Source used to characterize LEVISON is NY 694-S\*. Sources used to characterize WACHTEL are Anonymous source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50, at WFO re "NLG; IS-C," and NY 1190-S\*.

Sources used to characterize BLACKWELL are [redacted] and [redacted]

Information concerning [redacted] of the Harlem Office of SCLC was furnished New York in Atlanta airtel and

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  - (1- 100-148289) (HARRY WACHTEL)
- 8 - Atlanta
  - (1- 100-6670)
  - (1- [redacted])
  - (1- 157-257) (RALPH ABERNATHY)
  - (1- 100-5586) (M. L. KING, JR.)
  - (1- 100-6684) [redacted]
  - (1- 157-621) [redacted]
  - (1- 157-698) (RANDOLPH BLACKWELL)
  - (1- 157-895) (HOSEA WILLIAMS)

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Inasmuch as the enclosed LHM refers to [redacted] and [redacted] of the Western Christian Leadership Conference, one copy enclosed LHM is being furnished Los Angeles.

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In attendance at this meeting were CLARENCE JONES, STANLEY LEVISON and HARRY WACHTEL.

During the course of the meeting numerous matters were discussed pertaining not only to financial problems but also to general activities, programs and personnel of SCLC. JONES, LEVISON and WACHTEL actively participated in these discussions.

Source observed JONES, LEVISON and WACHTEL appeared to possess a rather limited knowledge of activities, programs and personnel of SCLC except as such matters were closely related to the organization's financial picture. In regard to SCLC financial matters these three individuals evidenced a detailed knowledge of the organization's financial history. This coupled with the very personal manner in which Reverend KING dealt with these individuals caused source to conclude that JONES, LEVISON and WACHTEL had maintained close contact with Reverend KING and SCLC for an appreciable period of time.

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Effort is made in the enclosed LHM to set forth informant's candid opinion of JONES, LEVISON and WACHTEL based upon his observation of these individuals at the meeting referred to. It is felt informant's opinion is of interest. Of further interest is informant's evaluation of these individuals on a comparative basis which has not been included in the enclosed LHM. [redacted] advised JONES, LEVISON and WACHTEL obviously are shrewd and talented businessmen. He said on the basis of displaying an ability to very promptly

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reach the heart of a matter being discussed, WACHTEL appeared superior to LEVISON and JONES. In this respect informant said he felt LEVISON would rank next to WACHTEL. Informant observed that JONES' contribution to and participation in discussions at this meeting were not as extensive as those of LEVISON and WACHTEL.

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Re: Communist Influence in  
Racial Matters  
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Demonstrations Protesting the  
Shooting of James Meredith  
Racial Matters

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, ascertained on June 18, 1966, that on that date Stanley Levison and [redacted] of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) were in contact regarding the March on Jackson, Mississippi, in protest over the shooting of [redacted]. [redacted] requested Levison to furnish expenses for a "gang of kids" who were planning to leave Chicago June 19 or 20 to join the march. [redacted] estimated that the cost of hiring a bus for a three day trip from Chicago to Mississippi and return would be \$930.00. He said the check should be payable to the "West Side Christian Parish" and sent to [redacted] Chicago. Levison promised to send it that day.

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Levison mentioned that they had considered placing an ad in "The New York Times" for funds for the march, but that he felt it would require a letter from [redacted]. He said he would not care to do this and he and [redacted] agreed to forgo this and to rely upon their mailing lists.

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Re: Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Demonstrations Protesting the Shooting  
of [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he had agreed to try to get a select list of one hundred denominations, such as the Presbyteria Commission on Religion and Racism and the Episcopal Society for Racial and Cultural Unity, and labor unions from whom they could ask one thousand dollars each. He requested Levison to select the list and Levison agreed. [redacted] asked Levison to get him a list of between 50 and 100 "institutions", other than individuals, that could write Levison a check for \$1000.

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[redacted] commented that they are "pushing" to try to end the march on Sunday (June 26) and have to get the "call" out this week. Levison agreed that this had to be done in order for people to charter planes. He inquired if anyone was working with the "charters" and was told that Walter (Fauntroy, Washington, D.C. representative of the SCLC), is coordinating the Jackson Office.

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Levison advised [redacted] that he would remain in New York and work on getting money until the wind-up of the march.

This source, further ascertained that on June 18, 1966, Levison contacted Walter (Fauntroy). Levison said the check for \$930 would take several days to clear and wanted to know from [redacted] if he should cancel the check and wire the cash on Monday (June 20). He inquired if there was anyone in New York working on chartered planes and Fauntroy said he had asked Bayard (Rustin) to do it.

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Fauntroy mentioned that "we" announced out of Washington, D.C., about a train leaving from New York, Washington and Philadelphia which Bayard would receive a memo on. Fauntroy also mentioned that there are 5 trains converging on Jackson which are regularly scheduled trains that they hoped to make into a freedom train. He mentioned a train from Boston, one from San Francisco, one from St. Paul and one from Detroit.

Levison questioned if Fauntroy could depend on Bayard and asked if they should not coordinate this through the SCLC office in New York City. Levison also mentioned placing an ad in "The New York Times" and the "New York Post" newspapers (to get people to take the train to the march). Fauntroy agreed with this suggestion and noted that the trains will be running through 25 major cities. He added that the New York train leaves at 7:00 p.m., on June 24 and arrives in Jackson at 4:00 p.m., June 25.

Levison stated that he felt he should check with Bayard (Rustin).

Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 19, 1966, that on that date, Clarence Jones and Stanley Levison were in contact. Levison mentioned that Bayard (Rustin), is supposed to be handling arrangements for people to go to the march on Jackson. Jones and Levison agreed to fly down to join the march on June 23 and march until Saturday, June 25, with the group.

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The source further advised that John Marqusee, (an associate of Jones in Jones' insurance company, Intramexican Life Corporation), agreed to make the necessary arrangements. Marqusee, according to the source, made 6 reservations with Delta Airlines in his name leaving New York on Thursday, June 23, via Delta Flight 827 at 2:25 p.m., changing in Atlanta to Delta Flight 523, arriving in Jackson at 5:33 p.m. Marqusee also secured reservations via Delta Airlines leaving Jackson, Mississippi on Sunday, June 26, at 4:10 p.m.

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APPENDIX

BAYARD RUSTIN

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1 column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 25, 1963, that during a meeting of the National Board, CP, USA, on that date, Benjamin J. Davis remarked that, "Rustin calls me constantly--openly".

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BAYARD RUSTIN (continued)

Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, Davis told Rustin that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which Rustin was to speak.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, Benjamin J. Davis was National Secretary of the CP, USA.

"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that Benjamin J. Davis, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

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Enclosed are 10 copies of an LHM containing information furnished by NY 3810-S\* on 6/18/66 and NY 5182-S\* on 6/19/66, relating to the March on Jackson, Mississippi in protest over the shooting of [REDACTED]

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- 1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-99849) ([REDACTED]) (47)
- 1 - New York (100-46729) (BAYARD RUSTIN) (42)
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CLARENCE JONES

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ON SIX TWENTY-ONE SIXTY-SIX, NEW YORK FIVE FOUR NINE SIX-S\*, A SOURCE CLOSE TO CLARENCE JONES, NEW YORK CITY ATTORNEY AND ADVISOR TO MARTIN LUTHER KING <sup>SAID JONES</sup> WAS IN CONTACT ON THAT DATE, WITH HARRY WACHTEL, AN ADVISOR TO MARTIN LUTHER KING <sup>AND</sup> NEW YORK CITY ATTORNEY. CONTACT CONCERNED A CHARTER FLIGHT TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, LEAVING NYC AT MIDNIGHT, FRIDAY, SIX TWENTY-FOUR, WHICH WILL CARRY ONE HUNDRED PASSENGERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MARCH IN MISSISSIPPI. WACHTEL INDICATED THAT JACKIE ROBINSON, [REDACTED] (TO MARTIN LUTHER KING) AND OTHER CELEBRITIES WILL TAKE THIS CHARTER FLIGHT, ARRANGEMENTS FOR

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WHICH, ARE BEING HANDLED BY ~~RE~~BAYARD RUSTIN, NYC. JONES SAID HE WOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO TAKE CHARTER FLIGHT. SOURCE LATER ADVISED THAT JONES INFORMED <sup>STANLEY</sup> LEVISON HE WAS TAKING TWELVE MIDNIGHT FLIGHT ON SIX TWENTY-FOUR SIXTY-SIX AND THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS ALSO GOING ON THE FLIGHT. LEVISON SAID HE TOO WOULD TAKE THIS FLIGHT. SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] (ASSOCIATE OF JONES) WOULD NOT BE GOING TO JACKSON TO JOIN MARCH.

SOURCE ADVISED ON SIX TWENTY-TWO SIXTY-SIX, LEVISON, WHILE IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC RELATIONS MAN AND ADVISOR TO MARTIN LUTHER KING, SAID WALTER FAUNTROY TOLD HIM THAT THE FOLLOWING NOTED ENTERTAINERS WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN MISSISSIPPI MARCH: [REDACTED] <sup>AND</sup> [REDACTED] DESIRE TO BE.

CONTACTED REGARDING THE MARCH. [REDACTED] SAID HE WOULD HAVE HIS LOS ANGELES OFFICE (PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE) REACH [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AND ~~THESE~~ ADVISE THAT [REDACTED] HAD INVITED THEM TO PARTICIPATE AND THAT HE WOULD BE CONTACTING THEM.

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HE SAID A CHARTERED PLANE WOULD TAKE THEM FROM LOS ANGELES TO MISSISSIPPI.

[REDACTED] SAID HE HAD ALSO LEARNED THAT SOME ATHLETIC PEOPLE WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MARCH BUT HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO PAY THEIR OWN FARE TO AND FROM MISSISSIPPI. LHM FOLLOWS.

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Sources close to CLARENCE JONES and STANLEY LEVISON have not furnished any additional information to show that JONES, and the group of which he spoke during April, 1966, have made any progress toward the purchase of the "Amsterdam News". However, the following information furnished by NY 54-56-3\* on June 15, 1966, appears to concern problems which JONES is experiencing in his effort to purchase this newspaper:

On June 15, 1966, JONES was in contact with [redacted] (undoubtedly [redacted] of Laryou-Act, an anti-poverty training program for Negro youth in NYC). [redacted] indicated that he had talked to a [redacted] (LNU), who said that "this guy" (possibly [redacted] owner of the "Amsterdam News") had gone through "those changes" about selling "the paper" on one or two occasions. [redacted] also indicated that [redacted] told him he did not believe it was a question of the money, but believes "this guy" is psychologically all fouled up at the moment as to whether to really release "this baby" (the newspaper) because it is the only thing he has now in life that gives him any sense of importance.

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[redacted] expressed his opinion that "our" only position at this point would be to bring "this guy" (possibly [redacted] in and assure him he would be "Chairman of the Board or something like that." JONES agreed with this, but [redacted] added that "he" [redacted] was apparently resisting a call from [redacted] (believed to be [redacted] who would be putting up the money for the purchase of the paper) and that, therefore, JONES could call "him." JONES said he would be happy to do it.

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[redacted] continued that he also believed that if "we meet him" he [redacted] would point out that if "he" died the next day, the paper would go into trust, which means "they" would have to sell to anyone, as an executor of the estate, at the best price. [redacted] added that this would not be a Negro situation which "he" [redacted] is interested in. JONES agreed they should put it to "him" pointedly and [redacted] also agreed that JONES should also point out that they would be delighted to have "him" serve as Chairman of the Board because they need his experience and guidance.

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The Bureau will be advised of any information received showing that JONES and his group have succeeded in purchasing or are about to purchase the "New York Amsterdam News".



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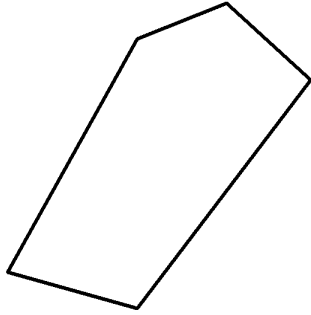
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for this function, [ ] had collected approximately \$3,000 but upon cancellation of the concert she was unable to produce the \$3,000 in order that this money could be refunded to ticket purchasers. In addition, Reverend KING said [ ] wrote a number of checks for which she had insufficient funds on deposit. As a consequence, charges (not specified) have been made against her.

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Reverend KING went on to explain that in connection with the aforementioned concert, [ ] did not directly state but implied to people (not identified) this concert would be given for the benefit of SCLC. He said this concert was not for the benefit of SCLC.

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[ ] pointed out that despite [ ] conduct, SCLC should give serious consideration to the matter of dispensing with her services. He said her father (not identified), who pastors a church in Cleveland, Ohio, annually gives to SCLC approximately \$30,000. WACHTEL inquired of [ ] whether in view of [ ] conduct her dismissal by SCLC would adversely influence the generosity of her father. [ ] replied he did not know the answer to this question but assumed it was a likely possibility.

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Re Atlanta teletype 6/14/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and 8 copies, for New York 4 copies, and for Detroit 2 copies LHM.

Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted]

Sources used to characterize BLACKWELL are [redacted] and CE [redacted]

Source used to characterize JONES is [redacted]

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Source used to characterize LEVISON is NY 694-S\*.

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  - (1 - [redacted])
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  - (1 - 100-5718) (SCLC)
  - (1 - 100-6684) [redacted]
  - (1 - 157-621) [redacted]
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Sources used to characterize WACHTEL are NY 1190-S\* and Anonymous source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] [redacted] 7/19/50, at WFO re "NLG; IS-C."

Source used to characterize [redacted] is NY 5019-S\*.

For the information of Detroit, [redacted] is a light complected Negro female, marital status single. UACB, Detroit will ascertain whether records of the Detroit Police Department reflect any charges outstanding against [redacted] as indicated by information set forth in the enclosed LHM.

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Dissemination of information furnished by [redacted] should be classified ~~Confidential~~ because this source occupies a sensitive position with SCLC, and dissemination of information furnished by this source to unauthorized individuals could reasonably result in jeopardizing his security.

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DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING SHOOTING OF [ ]  
 [ ] DASH RACIAL MATTERS, OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK.

ON SIX TWENTY TWO SIXTY SIX, NEW YORK THIRTY EIGHT  
 TEN DASH ASTERISK, SOURCE CLOSE TO STANLEY ~~LEVINSON~~ ADVISED THAT

[ ] OF THE SCLC OFFICE IN ATLANTA AND LEVINSON,  
 WERE IN CONTACT REGARDING CAPTIONED MARCH. [ ]

INQUIRED AS TO WHAT PROGRESS WAS BEING MADE BY THE NEW YORK  
 COMMITTEE FOR [ ] MARCH. LEVINSON SAID THINGS HAD  
 FALLEN APART SINCE BAYARD RUSTIN, THE COORDINATOR, COULD NOT  
 BE REACHED. LEVINSON AND [ ] CONCURRED THAT RUSTIN  
 WAS UNRELIABLE AND HAD WALKED OUT WHEN HIS SERVICES WERE  
 NEEDED. THEY AGREED THAT RUSTIN IS NO LONGER CONTRIBUTING  
 FORCE IN CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT.

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[REDACTED] REMARKED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE  
THE MOBILIZATION <sup>FOR</sup> ~~FROM~~ MARCH WOULD BE AS EFFECTIVE AS THE  
SELMA MARCH; HOWEVER, SAID ALL SCLC (SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE) BOARD MEMBERS WERE INSTRUCTED TO  
REPORT TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THREE DAYS BEFORE MARCH  
ENDS SO THEY CAN SELECT NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES AND  
MOBILIZE THEM FOR THE MARCH. LEVINSON SAID MARCH WOULD NOT  
BE VERY EFFECTIVE SINCE PEOPLE IN COUNTRY NO LONGER  
CONCERNED <sup>ABOUT</sup> CIVIL RIGHTS BUT INSTEAD, WITH WAR IN VIET NAM.

SAME SOURCE ADVISED THAT CONFERENCE BETWEEN  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, STANLEY LEVINSON, CLARENCE JONES,  
AND HARRY WACHTEL, TOOK PLACE DURING THE NIGHT OF SIX  
TWENTY TWO SIXTY SIX. KING CALLED CONFERENCE DUE TO  
PRESSING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN MARCH. KING  
SAID THEY WERE NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS IN THE RED AND WERE  
EXPECTING A TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLAR DEFICIT BEFORE MARCH ENDS  
ON SUNDAY. KING SAID MEETING OF CORE, SNNC, AND SCLC  
YESTERDAY REVEALED THAT ALL THREE ORGANIZATIONS ARE BROKE.

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KING SAID HE TOOK UPON HIMSELF TO RAISE TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS BEFORE SUNDAY, THAT CORE IS TO RAISE FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS, AND SNNC IS TO RAISE THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS, ALL OF WHICH IS DUE IN JACKSON BY SATURDAY NIGHT. KING SAID RESPONSE TO MARCH HAS BEEN VERY POOR SO FAR AND HE ATTRIBUTES TO THE BLACK NATIONALIST QUESTION, STATEMENTS MADE IN MISSISSIPPI CONCERNING VIOLENCE, AND THE CREDIBILITY OF THE MARCH ITSELF. KING WANTED NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO COULD BE CONTACTED FOR EMERGENCY FUNDS.

WACHTEL SAID HE WOULD CONTACT RALPH HELSTEIN, THE PRESIDENT OF UNITED PACKING HOUSE WORKERS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, WHO IS STAYING AT THE HOLIDAY INN, NEW HYWAY NORTH, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, AND WALTER REUTHER OF THE UNITED AUTO WORKERS. KING SAID HE RECEIVED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM REUTHER ON SUNDAY.

KING INSTRUCTED LEVISON TO CALL KHEEL (THEODORE KHEEL, PROMINENT NEW YORK CITY ATTORNEY) AND SOLICIT FUNDS FROM HIM. KING SAID JAMES HOFFA, OF THE UNITED AUTO WORKERS, GAVE HIM

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TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND THAT HE FEELS THAT HOFFA WOULD PROBABLY GIVE THEM ALL THE MONEY THEY NEED. HE SAID ALL MONEY RECEIVED SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE PRATT METHODIST CHURCH, TEN FIFTY NINE, PASCAGOULA AVENUE, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

KING EXPLAINED THAT PEOPLE MISUNDERSTAND THE MARCH AND IN FACT <sup>HE</sup> HAD CONSIDERED PULLING OUT AS THE PROBLEMS BECAME GREATER EACH DAY. ALL AGREED THAT THE IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE VARIOUS PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS WOULD HAVE TO COME TO A HEAD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

JONES SAID [REDACTED] OF DECEASED CIVIL RIGHTS WORKER MICHAEL SCHWERNER) HAD CONTACTED HIM AND EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO JOIN THE MARCH. KING INSTRUCTED THAT HE BE SENT A TELEGRAM REQUESTING HIS PRESENCE IN MISSISSIPPI. LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM FOLLOWS.

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On June 15, 1966, confidential source advised that on June 13, 1966, pursuant to instructions of Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), the following individuals held an all day meeting at SCLC headquarters: Reverend KING; RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC;

[redacted] SCLC; [redacted] CLARENCE JONES; STANLEY LEVISON and HARRY WACHTEL. [redacted] SCLC, RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL, Program Director, SCLC, and HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration, SCLC, attended portions of this meeting.

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The purpose of this meeting was to examine the current financial position of SCLC and determine methods whereby the monthly expenses of the organization might be reduced. As of June 13, 1966, computations made by the Finance Office, SCLC, reflected that during the preceding three month period, expenditures by SCLC exceeded receipts by approximately \$26,000 monthly.

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During this meeting in regard to income anticipated by SCLC, Reverend KING referred to the European tour he made during the Spring of 1966. He said while his appearance in Paris, France, proved to be a failure (not explained) so far as raising funds for SCLC was concerned, \$120,000 will shortly be forthcoming from Sweden as a result of the European tour. He said the transfer of this money to SCLC is currently being delayed because of a necessary audit thereof being conducted by Swedish Government officials.

Reverend KING said that [redacted] expenses in organizing the European tour amounted to approximately \$20,000 and [redacted] will be reimbursed by SCLC when the

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aforementioned money is received from Sweden.

WACHTEL suggested that SCLC request the Swedish Government to immediately release \$50,000 of the total amount to which SCLC is entitled. He said the money raised in Sweden was raised for SCLC in order to assist it to cope with emergency civil rights situations. Therefore, the request for immediate transfer of \$50,000 could be justified by SCLC's participation in the civil rights emergency created by the recent shooting of [redacted] in Mississippi. ~~SECRET~~

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REFERENCE NEW YORK TELETYPES JUNE TWENTY TWO AND TWENTY  
THREE, SIXTY SIX.

NY THREE EIGHT ONE ZERO - S. ASTERISK (CLASSIFY "~~SECRET~~")  
ASCERTAINED JUNE TWENTY FOUR, SIXTY SIX, THAT ON THIS DATE,  
WITH DELTA AIRLINES  
STANLEY LEVISON MADE RESERVATIONS FOR SIX LEAVING NEW YORK  
CITY EIGHT AM, SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE TWENTY SIX, FOR JACKSON,  
MISSISSIPPI, VIA CONNECTING FLIGHT FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA.  
LEVISON MADE RESERVATIONS FOR HIMSELF, CLARENCE JONES, MR.  
AND [REDACTED] HE  
ALSO MADE RESERVATIONS FOR THIS GROUP LEAVING JACKSON VIA  
DELTA AIRLINES AT NINE ZERO THREE PM, SUNDAY, JUNE TWENTY SIX.

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SOURCE ADVISED THAT LEVISON TOLD CLARENCE JONES OF RESERVATION MADE TO LEAVE NEW YORK FOR JACKSON ON SUNDAY MORNING. NY FIVE FOUR NINE SIX - S ASTERISK (CLASSIFY "~~SECRET~~") SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THAT CLARENCE JONES MADE RESERVATIONS FOR HIMSELF AND  TO LEAVE NEW YORK FOR JACKSON AT FOUR AM, JUNE TWENTY FIVE, VIA DELTA FLIGHT ONE EIGHT NINE, ARRIVING JACKSON, VIA ATLANTA CONNECTING FLIGHT AT EIGHT THIRTY FIVE AM, JUNE TWENTY FIVE. ALSO RESERVATIONS RETURNING FROM JACKSON ON DELTA FLIGHT LEAVING NINE ZERO THREE PM, JUNE TWENTY SIX.

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On May 30, 1966, a Communist Party (CP) caucus meeting was held at the residence of [redacted] New York City. The following persons were present:

[redacted]

This meeting was held mainly to discuss with JIM TORNEY the result of the NALC convention held in Baltimore from May 27-29, 1966.

The Party, although not exerting any influence on the convention, felt that they had gained a victory since CLEVELAND ROBINSON was elected as President of the Negro-American Labor Council (NALC). Also, they were quite pleased that [redacted] had been re-elected as [redacted] of the NALC. TORNEY stated that the Party was disappointed that they were unable to get a peace resolution before the convention which would be in favor of their position, rather than the one that A. PHILIP RANDOLPH proposed, which backed the JOHNSON Administration. However, he stated, we gained two points, and by losing on the peace issue it is not too bad.

TORNEY was overheard telling [redacted] and [redacted] that the Trade Union Commission would be held June 5, 1966, at the Henry Hudson Hotel. [redacted] was to contact [redacted] and see that he attended this meeting.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-1679) (100-153735)

DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING SHOOTING OF [REDACTED]  
RACIAL MATTERS. CIRM.

LATE JUNE TWENTY FOUR, SIXTY SIX, AND EARLY JUNE TWENTY FIVE, SIXTY SIX, NY FIVE SIX ZERO NINE DASH S ASTERISK, RELIABLE IN PAST, ADVISED THAT SI GERSON, COMMUNIST PARTY FUNCTIONARY, HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] NEW YORK TIMES REPORTER, CONCERNING [REDACTED] WHO IS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FOR HERBERT APTHEKER, MEMBER OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE, CPUSA, AND DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR MARXIST STUDIES AND CURRENTLY RUNNING FOR OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN FROM BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

[REDACTED] ADVISED GERSON THAT [REDACTED] WHO IS CURRENTLY IN MISSISSIPPI, FOR THE [REDACTED] MARCH, WAS ARRESTED IN CANTON, MISSISSIPPI, ON THURSDAY, JUNE TWENTY THREE, SIXTY SIX, AND THAT [REDACTED] NEW YORK TIMES CORRESPONDENT

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IN MISSISSIPPI, WAS LOOKING FOR [REDACTED] BUT WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

NY FIVE SIX ZERO NINE DASH S ASTERISK FURNISHED INFORMATION THAT [REDACTED] WAS REPORTEDLY RELEASED ON ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS BAIL IN CANTON ON FRIDAY, JUNE TWENTY FOUR, SIXTY SIX.

[REDACTED] STATED HE KNOWS CPUSA HAS ISSUED STATEMENT [REDACTED] IS ABSOLUTELY NOT CONNECTED WITH CPUSA, BUT [REDACTED] SAID FACT THAT [REDACTED] IS CONNECTED WITH APTHEKER AND IS TAKING PART IN CIVIL RIGHTS DRIVE IN MISSISSIPPI IS JUST WHAT PEOPLE DOWN THERE ARE LOOKING FOR.

TELEPHONIC ATTEMPTS BY PERSON ATTENDING CPUSA NATIONAL CONVENTION IN NEW YORK CITY TO DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] THROUGH SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE OFFICE IN ATLANTA AND THROUGH [REDACTED] MARCH HEADQUARTERS IN JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, UNSUCCESSFUL.

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NY FIVE SIX ZERO NINE DASH S ASTERISK FURTHER ADVISED THIS DATE [REDACTED] ATTORNEY FOR CPUSA, ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT [REDACTED] COLUMNIST FOR "NEW YORK POST" WHO IS IN MISSISSIPPI, TO COVER [REDACTED] MARCH, TO FIND OUT WHERE [REDACTED] IS. SHE WAS UNSUCCESSFUL IN CONTACTING [REDACTED] [REDACTED] THEN CALLED [REDACTED] NEW ORLEANS ATTORNEY, WHOSE HOME PHONE IS [REDACTED] AND OFFICE PHONE IS [REDACTED] BOTH NEW ORLEANS. [REDACTED] ASKED [REDACTED] IF HE COULD FIND OUT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS AND REMARKED TO [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] IS A CORRESPONDENT FOR HER "FAVORITE NEWSPAPER" AND THAT THIS INFORMATION "MAY HAVE LEAKED OUT" AND IF IT DID "IT WOULD SUPPLY A MOTIVE". [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IS A "DRINKER" MEANING THIS MAY ACCOUNT FOR HIS DISAPPEARANCE. [REDACTED] APPARENTLY WAS TO CONTACT PEOPLE IN NEW YORK CITY TELEPHONICALLY AND HAS NOT DONE SO. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] HE WAS GOING TO MISSISSIPPI AND WOULD CHECK ARREST RECORDS IN CANTON TO SEE IF HE COULD GET INFORMATION ON [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS.

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NY FIVE SIX ZERO NINE DASH S ASTERISK FURTHER ADVISED THAT  
 [REDACTED] OF ROBERT THOMPSON, DECEASED COMMUNIST  
 PARTY FUNCTIONARY, CONTACTED HEADQUARTERS OF APTHEKER IN NEW  
 YORK CITY INQUIRING IF THEY HAD HEARD FROM [REDACTED]  
 THEY REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE AND IT WAS STATED THAT [REDACTED]  
 IS DUE BACK IN NEW YORK CITY FROM MISSISSIPPI SUNDAY NIGHT,  
 JUNE TWENTY SIX, SIXTY SIX.

APPARENTLY THERE IS CONCERN AMONG COMMUNIST PARTY PEOPLE  
 IN NEW YORK CITY OVER FAILURE OF [REDACTED] TO  
 COMMUNICATE WITH ANYONE IN PAST COUPLE OF DAYS.

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COMINFIL, C.O.R.E.  
Staten Island Chapter  
Information Concerning  
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On 6/10/66, [redacted] advised that a meeting of the Staten Island Chapter, C.O.R.E. was held at the home of the [redacted] on 6/7/66. The informant stated that only 6 people were present, one of whom was [redacted]

On 6/23/66, the same informant advised that meetings of captioned organization were held at [redacted] on 6/14/66 and 6/21/66. The informant stated that nothing of importance transpired at either meeting. [redacted] stated that [redacted] attended both meetings.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

215 U. S. Post Office Building

P. O. Box 1111

Little Rock, Arkansas, 72203

June 30, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

ARKANSANS FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM

Reference Memorandum dated June 14, 1966, at  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Referenced memorandum reported that [redacted]  
Washington University student, attended a meeting of the  
Arkansans for Peace in Vietnam on June 5, 1966, at which  
time he was wearing a W. E. B. Du Bois Clubs of America  
button that read "Jobs, not guns." The memorandum, also  
reported that [redacted] promised to obtain some free literature  
for the group to be mailed out.

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[redacted] Little  
Rock, Arkansas, advised a Special Agent of the FBI at Little  
Rock, Arkansas, on June 30, 1966, that he is a member of a  
local chapter of the W. E. B. Du Bois Clubs of America at  
Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, where he is a  
student. He also advised that he is a member of an organiza-  
tion called "Friends of SNCC."

A characterization of the W. E. B. Du Bois  
Clubs of America is contained in the appendix hereto.

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W. E. B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA (DCA)

A source has advised that on October 26-27, 1963, a conference of members of the Communist Party (CP), including national functionaries, met in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of setting in motion forces for the establishment of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization which would hunt for the most peaceful transition to socialism. These delegates were told that it would be reasonable to assume that the young socialists attracted into this new organization would eventually pass into the itself.

A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W. E. B. DuBois Clubs of America (DCA) was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention. The aims of this organization, as set forth in the preamble to the constitution, are, "It is our belief that this nation can best solve its problems in an atmosphere of peaceful coexistence, complete disarmament and true freedom for all peoples of the world, and that these solutions will be reached mainly through the united efforts of all democratic elements in our country, composed essentially of the working people allied in the unity of Negroes and other minorities with whites. We further fully recognize that the greatest threat to American democracy comes from the racist and right wing forces in coalition with the most reactionary sections of the economic power structure, using the tool of anti-Communism to divide and destroy the unified struggle of the working people."

Over the Labor Day weekend, 1965, the DCA held a conference in Chicago, Illinois, and a new slate of officers was elected to the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the DCA. Since Labor Day, 1965, identities of those serving on the NEC has varied; however, according to a third source as of May 1966, thirteen of the fifteen members of the NEC were members of the PC in the San Francisco Bay area.

As of May 1966, the headquarters of the DCA was located at 1830 Fell Street, San Francisco, California.

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Title: ARKANSANS FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM

Reference: Memorandum dated June 30, 1966, at  
Little Rock, Arkansas

All sources, except any listed below, whose  
identities are concealed in referenced communication have  
furnished reliable information in the past.

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FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (100-3657)  
SUBJECT: ARKANSANS FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF STUDENT  
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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
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Bufile: 100-442529

Re Little Rock airtel to Bureau 5/14/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and 11 copies of letterhead memorandum captioned "ARKANSANS FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM." Two copies are being furnished to St. Louis. One copy of LHM being furnished Atlanta as office of origin in COMINFIL SNCC case and one copy for New York as office of origin in CIRM case. Copies of this LHM have been furnished locally to INTC, Little Rock, OSI, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana, and NISO, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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- 7 - Little Rock (2-100-3657) (1-100- [redacted])  
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For information of the Bureau and St. Louis, [redacted] appeared at the Little Rock Office on June 30, 1966, accompanied by [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] had discovered W. E. B. Du Bois of America literature in [redacted] possession and were quite concerned over his possible involvement in this organization and accordingly [redacted] had convinced [redacted] that he ought to come to the FBI Office to discuss the matter. As noted in the enclosed LHM [redacted] did admit that he is a member of the local chapter of W.E.B. Bois of America Club at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, but would not discuss his participation in this or any other organization nor did he desire to furnish descriptive data concerning himself. It is believed that he came to the office at the request of [redacted] and was not really interested in discussing this matter with the FBI. No attempt was made to interrogate [redacted] to any great degree in view of his reluctance to talk and it was not felt that he has any potential as an informant at this time.

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This information is being furnished St. Louis in view of [redacted] admission and the fact that there is apparently a small chapter of W.E.B. Du Bois Club of America on the campus of Washington University. [redacted] stated that he intended to return to Washington University as a student about September 1, 1966.

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The Little Rock Division has not received any additional information concerning captioned organization since submission referenced airtel.

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Will review indices concerning [redacted] and furnish full information to Little Rock.

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LITTLE ROCK AT LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

Will attempt to follow activities of captioned organization through logical sources and report any pertinent information developed.

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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
SUBJECT: CIRM  
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(OO: NY)

ReNY airtel, 6/22/66.

On 6/24/66, NY 5182-S\* furnished the following information:

CLARENCE JONES was in contact with [redacted] (believed to be [redacted], who is involved with JONES in an attempt to purchase the "New York Amsterdam News," a Negro newspaper.) JONES noted that he had spoken with a [redacted] (probably [redacted] of the "Amsterdam News") the previous day, indicating that he told [redacted] he was calling to advise of "our continuing interest" (in buying the paper). JONES mentioned that [redacted] said he was still interested in their desire to buy the paper.

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JONES indicated that he did not get the chance to tell [redacted] they would invite him to serve as Chairman of the Board of the corporation which would be established to run the paper. They agreed that JONES should send a note to [redacted] advising him of this in view of what [redacted] termed [redacted] emotional and psychological attachment to the newspaper.

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[redacted] mentioned he had lunch with a [redacted] (ph) the previous day and indicated that [redacted] told him he is in the process of buying a newspaper which was not named. JONES and [redacted] agreed it must be the same paper they are interested in. They agreed also that [redacted] (ph) must be part of the "[redacted] - JAVITS Combine" (which may be trying to buy the "Amsterdam News" for a Republican and/or [redacted] interests).

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[redacted] is believed to be [redacted] [redacted] in NYC and JAVITS is undoubtedly Senator JAKE JAVITS of New York.

Information from NY 5182-S\* is classified "~~Secret~~" because it is a highly sensitive source engaged in furnishing information about racial matters in the U.S. and Communist influence therein.



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Memphis, Tennessee  
July 1, 1966

MARCH TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI  
RACIAL MATTERS - ELECTION LAWS

On June 28, 1966, a first source who has furnished reliable information in the past and who is most familiar with many facets of civil rights activity in the mid-South area, advised a representative of the FBI as follows:

On Friday, June 24, 1966, [redacted], male Negro, currently a law student at Columbia University, New York, New York, returned to Memphis, Tennessee, to resume the march which he had originally started Sunday, June 5, 1966, scheduled to proceed from Memphis, Tennessee, to Jackson, Mississippi, ostensibly for the purpose of encouraging Negroes residing in the State of Mississippi to exercise their right to register to vote.

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Source, who knows [redacted] on a limited basis, stated that it is now his considered opinion that [redacted] had an ulterior purpose in initiating this march in that [redacted] is an egomaniac who desires and thrives on publicity; that many of the Negroes connected with the march had privately stated that [redacted] apparently has political aspirations in New York State; that he has no publicity vehicle which he could use in New York; but that since he is a world-known figure by virtue of [redacted]

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[redacted], that he was virtually forced to return to Mississippi in order to gain any national or international type publicity.

[redacted] was accompanied to Memphis by [redacted] or [redacted] a young male Negro from New York City, described by the first source as a spoiled young man, the son of a wealthy New York City undertaker, and purportedly [redacted] [redacted] which he operates.

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It became increasingly apparent on June 24 and June 25, 1966, according to source, that [redacted] is merely a participant for "kicks," being a publicity seeker and one who has attached himself to [redacted] because of a sensation-seeking, publicity-seeking motive. [redacted] appeared to be politically naive and was rather juvenile in his manner and that he wore Army fatigue clothes with a big canteen, apparently in order to attract attention. In fairness to him, at no time did he give any indication of impersonating a member of the United States Armed Forces.

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The group left Memphis, Tennessee, on the early afternoon of June 24, 1966, in three rented automobiles, the main car being driven by a young man, First Name Unknown [redacted] and being occupied by [redacted] by the well-known [redacted] of Chicago, Illinois, and [redacted]; and by one [redacted] a Negro minister who pastors the [redacted] Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. [redacted] also claims to operate a small garment factory in Philadelphia which manufactures church robes. Source one stated that in conversation with [redacted] it became apparent that [redacted] is attempting to exploit the [redacted] march for his own benefit in an effort to become a hero in the Negro community in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and hoped to capitalize upon the publicity thus received by aligning himself with the [redacted] marchers.

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Source one advised that [redacted] apparently participated in portions of the march primarily to seek publicity. The source recalled that [redacted] became a virtual hero in the Negro community when he was [redacted] during the Los Angeles, California, [redacted] riot over a year ago; that [redacted] has a tendency to make brief but flamboyant appearances at various racial demonstrations throughout the country; that [redacted] a very literate individual, who claims to have three to four years education at the University of Illinois, is naturally good "copy" to the newsmen who usually cover such racial demonstrations.

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The source pointed out that [redacted] is a very egotistical individual, very temperamental, and one who is extremely sarcastic and rude to those around him; that he antagonizes the newsmen by his rudeness but that they are willing to tolerate it in order to get copy for their respective publications.

## MARCH TO JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

On arriving in Canton, Mississippi, on the evening of June 24, 1966, [redacted] had no idea as to where the main body of the marchers, then headed by such individuals as [redacted] of the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), or Martin Luther King, Jr., Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), were located. There apparently was no real organizational effort and it was up to various newsmen accompanying [redacted] to establish liaison or rapport between [redacted] and these other groups.

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Even so, [redacted] appeared to be in a somewhat state of aloofness and refused to have any perceptible contact with representatives of these other groups. He flatly refused to participate in a rally of the Negro marchers scheduled for a grade school playground in Canton, Mississippi, on the night of June 24, 1966. He rested for a short period in the home of a prominent Canton, Mississippi, Negro, [redacted] (First Name Unknown) [redacted] and then proceeded to Tougaloo College on the outskirts of Jackson, Mississippi, to spend the night.

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The source continued that [redacted] apparently has no sympathy with the other participating groups, namely, the SCLC, SNCC, or the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE).

In fact, the source recalled that following the [redacted] and following the arrival on June 7, 1966, of national civil rights leaders, such as [redacted] of CORE; Martin Luther King, Jr., National Director of the SCLC; and [redacted] of the SNCC, [redacted] apparently had never met any of these individuals previously.

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The source recalled that on or about June 7 or June 8, 1966, a meeting of some of the civil rights leaders was held in the Lorraine Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee, at which the various national civil rights leaders were present, and that during this meeting, a physical fight nearly developed between Ralph Abernathy and Hosea Williams of the SCLC and Stokely Carmichael. This near altercation developed when this group was arguing not only on procedure but control of the march. At the outset the NAACP was going to participate in the march

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and furnish field kitchens, water wagons, and other physical comfort inducements to the marchers, but the NAACP pulled out after policy conflicts developed. It was heard that Abernathy and Hosea Williams specifically told Carmichael that the SNCC was a small group, was broke, was inordinately militant, and dogmatic, and that SNCC had to depend upon the other civil rights organizations for its sustenance during this march.

The source pointed out that the march was given some impetus in Memphis by [redacted],

[redacted] This was done by [redacted] to the chagrin and disapproval of the main body of the NAACP in Memphis. [redacted] allowed his church to be used as a sort of rallying headquarters for the marchers who came to Memphis to join the march and this developed considerable friction within his church.

Another "sore spot," according to the source, which has developed as a result of the [redacted] march, was one which occurred in Memphis, Tennessee, on the night of the day in which [redacted] was released from the William F. Bowld Hospital where he had been taken following his being shot on June 6, 1966. The source recalled that at the time of [redacted] release the rumors got started in the Negro community that the hospital officials had arbitrarily forced [redacted] to leave despite the fact that his doctors, several in number, had stated that he was physically able to leave the hospital.

The source recalled that following a civil rights rally in Memphis that a group of approximately two hundred individuals, mostly young Negroes, marched on the hospital for the purpose of criticizing the hospital administration for its alleged treatment of [redacted]

The source advised that he has learned on unimpeachable authority from Negro political leaders in Memphis, Tennessee, that this march was actually a political stratagem conceived by Memphis Negro [redacted], who is active in local and national politics and who represents the NAACP on various matters.

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[redacted] has become a political enemy of [redacted]  
[redacted], City of Memphis, who  
has recently announced that he will run for Shelby County  
Commission in the forthcoming August 8, 1966, Democratic Primary.

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The William F. Bowld Hospital comes under [redacted]  
jurisdiction, as Commissioner of Finances and Institutions;  
therefore, according to the source, [redacted] conceived the march  
in an effort to [redacted].

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FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (157-147) (RUC)

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Re Memphis airtel and letterhead memorandum,  
6/25/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies, for Jackson  
2 copies, for Atlanta 2 copies, and for New York 2 copies of  
letterhead memorandum captioned as above and dated 7/1/66.

First source referred to in letterhead memorandum  
is \_\_\_\_\_ Memphis, Tennessee,  
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- 2 - Atlanta (Encs. 2)
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  - (1 - 157-SNCC)
- ② - New York (Encs. 2)
  - (1 - 100-153735, CIRM)
  - (1 - 157-1679, Demonstrations Protesting Shooting of \_\_\_\_\_)
- 9 - Memphis (1 - 157-147)(1 - 100-662, NAACP)(1 - 100-3572, CORE)
  - (1 - 157-109, SNCC)(1 - 157-166, SCLC)(1 - \_\_\_\_\_)
  - (1 - 157-284, Desegregation of Public Facilities, Memphis)
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111th INTC, Region 1, Nashville, Tenn.  
111th INTC, Memphis, Tennessee  
U.S. Secret Service, Memphis, Tennessee  
U.S. Attorney, Memphis, Tennessee

SAC, NEW YORK (100-153249)

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On 6/23/66, [redacted] advised that on 6/14/66, a regular meeting of the Staten Island Chapter, C.O.R.E. was held at the home of [redacted] Staten Island, N.Y. The informant advised that including [redacted] only six members were present. The members who attended included [redacted]

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[redacted] According to [redacted] nothing of significance transpired at this meeting.

The informant further advised that on 6/21/66, a regular meeting of C.O.R.E. was held at [redacted]. In addition to [redacted] those present included [redacted]

A discussion was held regarding the sending of a delegate to the National C.O.R.E. convention in Baltimore, Maryland, from the Staten Island Chapter. Both [redacted] and [redacted] showed an interest. It appeared, according to the informant that [redacted] if he could find the time, would be able to attend. [redacted] stated that nothing of importance was thereafter discussed.

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The informant advised that the [redacted] [redacted] has been unable to attend meetings because of a [redacted].

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- 1 - [redacted] (Inv) 46
- 1 - 100-152309 (C. JOHNSON) 46
- 1 - 100-111573 [redacted] 46
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641) DATE: JUL 8 1966

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (100-800)(P)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
ORGANIZATION  
18TH NATIONAL CONVENTION  
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On June 13, 1966, [redacted] made available the following documents received in connection with the forthcoming National Convention. Some of this material was received during May, 1966, when informant was on a European trip. It is being assumed New York is already in possession of the following material and no copies are being submitted with this letter:

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1. A two-page memorandum "To All Districts" from the "Convention Arrangements Committee, [redacted]," dated April 30, 1966.
2. An undated one-page memorandum captioned "Convention Information Needed" concerning the number of Party or non-Party observers who would be attending the Convention from Florida and urging that Party youth attend the Convention as observers if not elected as delegates.

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- 11 - New York (RM)
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  - (1 - 100-80641) (CP, USA ORGANIZATION)
  - (1 - 100-131666) (CP, USA SOUTHERN REGION)
  - (1 - 100-81675) (CP, USA PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS)
  - (1 - 100-128255) [redacted]
  - (1 - 100-269) (HENRY WINSTON)
  - (1 - 100-89590) (CP, USA STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
  - (1 - 100-153735) (CIRM)
  - (1 - 100-97167) (CP, USA POLITICAL AFFAIRS)
  - (1 - 100- ) (CP, USA MEMBERSHIP)
  - (1 - 100-80644) (CP, USA YOUTH MATTER)
- 1 - Baltimore (100-12464) (Info) (RM) (CP, USA SOUTHERN REGION)
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3. A one-page memorandum on directions to Webster Hall, 119 East 11th Street, New York City, site of the National Convention.
4. One-page form memorandum dated 5/31/66 "To All Districts" from "Political Affairs" reflecting that the June issue of this magazine would be enlarged to 96 pages to include three Convention discussion articles from individuals and clubs from all parts of the United States.
5. A one-page "Questionnaire" to be filled out by delegates to the National Convention containing background information, CP membership and area of local activity. [redacted] furnished this Questionnaire to Florida delegates at the 6/12/66 Florida State Convention.)
6. A one-page memorandum dated 5/31/66 "To All Districts" from "Henry Winston for the Secretariat" concerning the recommendation that the National Convention not adopt a final Program but to discuss it for about one year and then hold a special conference to adopt the final Program.
7. A one-page form memorandum dated 5/31/66, addressed to "Dear Comrades" from [redacted] [redacted] requesting comments by 6/9/66 on the proposed agenda for the Constitution."
8. A two-page undated "Proposed Agenda" for the National Convention, with an attached blue slip reflecting that this was a corrected copy as the prior Agenda sent had a number of serious typographical errors.

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9. Issue Number 1, May, 1966, of "Party Affairs," which contained Draft Resolutions on Trade Union Movement, Negro Question and Party Organization.
10. A fourteen-page blue paper pamphlet, undated, containing the Draft Resolution on Political Action and the entire Amended Constitution of the CP, USA.

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- 1 - [redacted]
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  - 1 - 100-11821 [redacted]
  - 1 - 100- (LABOR FOR PEACE IN VIETNAM)
  - 1 - 100-11623 (CP, ORGANIZATION)
  - 1 - 100-11739 (CP, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
  - 1 - 100- [redacted]
  - 1 - 100- [redacted]
  - 1 - 100-10969 (CP, USA, PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS)
  - 1 - 100-18290 (CIRM)
  - 1 - 100-18293 [redacted]
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    - (1 - 100- COMINFIL, SNCC)
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"He also assessed me three times my monthly dues (\$6) for the national convention. I gave him a total of \$10. that seemed to make him very happy. He said he will next contact me about the Sunday meeting in Meriden and the State Committee meeting.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603)(42)  
FROM : SA ROBERT O. JOHNSON (47)  
SUBJECT: CP USA NYD

Date: 6/14/66

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- 1 - 100-84275
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- 1 - 100-128804
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 (CP USA NYD NEGRO QUESTION) (42)  
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 (GIL GREEN) (42)  
 (CP USA NYD POLITICAL ACTIVITY) (42)  
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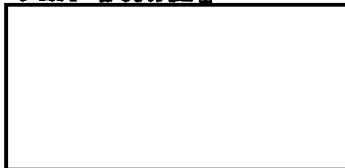
Event: The C.P. trade Union Commission Meeting at the  
Henry Hudson Hotel 8 Ave, and 57 Street NYC 2 Floor





Number Present: 22

Names Present:



JIM TORMEY



A White Female from Military no name  
A White Female no name  
A White Male Youth name   
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A White Male name   
A White Male name   
2 Other White no names

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The agenda for the meeting: (1) New York State C.P. Convention document was distributed at the meeting to the delegates, alternates and visitors to the new State Convention. Information, the Place: Central Plaza-2nd Ave, between 6th and 7th Street N.Y.C. Dates and time - Friday, June 10th-6:00 to 10:30 P.M. Saturday, June 11th-9:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. Sunday June 12th-9:00 A.M. 6:00 P.M. Registration Friday, June 10th - 6:00-7:15 P.M. Normandy, Room 2nd Floor. All deleg, and alternates should have received or purchased materials for the convention (1) Party Affairs: containing: draft resolution on Communists and the trade unions movement: draft resolution on the Negro question: draft resolution on the Party organization

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(2) industrial concentration Policy by JIM TORMEY; (3) labor-Key Force" by GUS HALL. (4) GUS HALL The Communist Party-  
a Review and Perspective May issue of Political Affairs. Blue  
offset document containing draft resolution on Political Action  
and draft of the amended constitution. The 5 National  
Resolution will be the basis for panel discussion  
at the State convention with supplementary reports relating  
to New York District work and experience. At the trade union  
commission meeting of the 6/5/66 the 5 resolution was discuss  
by the Comrades criticism of all the 5 draft resolution. JIM  
TORMEY Said the draft resolution for the 18th national convention  
of the CP USA is subject to revision by the State Convention  
and national, the criticism will be discuss in the State  
Panels discussion. He said this is not a final draft. JIM  
say a registration fee of \$2.00 is to be paid by club  
or county for each person attending the convention. WILLIAN  
PATTERSON will open the State convention. GIL GREEN will give  
the main political report. Panel discussions:

- (1) Trade union and industrial concentration
- 2 organization and Education
- 3 Negro and Puerto Rican Work
- 4 Political action and Electoral Work
- 5 on draft constituion
- 6 Youth Work. JIM said the clubs and the county must ask for  
Comrades to work at the convention as security guards.



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Date: 6/21/66

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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)  
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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
(157-1679)

SUBJECT: CIRM  
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DEMONSTRATIONS PROTESTING  
THE SHOOTING OF [REDACTED]  
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ReNYteletypes 6/18 and 6/20/66.

Enclosed are 10 copies of an LHM containing information furnished by NY 3810-S\* on 6/18/66 and NY 5182-S\* on 6/19/66, relating to the March on Jackson, Mississippi in protest over the shooting of [REDACTED]

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(1 - 100-5718) (COMINFIL SCLC)

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(1 - 157- ) (Demonstrations re [REDACTED])

2 - Jackson (100- ) (RM) (Info)  
(1 - 157- ) (Demonstrations re [REDACTED])

2 - Memphis (100- ) (RM)  
(1 - 157- ) (Demonstrations re [REDACTED])

1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON)

1 - New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES)

1 - New York (100-99849) [REDACTED]

1 - New York (100-46729) (BAYARD RUSTIN)

1 - New York (100-149194) (SCLC) (41)

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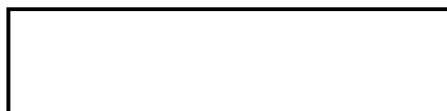
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Two copies each are furnished for the information of the Chicago, Jackson and Memphis Offices, and three copies for Atlanta '65 that office of origin in the Cominfil of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) case.

The sources used in characterizations in this LHM are as follows:

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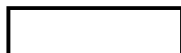


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BAYARD RUSTIN

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This LHM is classified "~~Secret~~" because it contains information from NY 3810-S\* and NY 5182-S\*, highly sensitive sources engaged in furnishing information about racial matters in the US and Communist influence therein. It is also classified "~~Secret~~" because it contains a concentration of information from NY 694-S\* in the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON.

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Demonstrations Protecting the Shooting  
of [redacted]  
Racial Matters

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On June 21, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which disclosed that Clarence Jones and Harry Wachtel were in contact on that date regarding the Mississippi March. In that regard, Wachtel indicated that a chartered plane would take a group of members to Jackson, Mississippi, on Friday night, June 24, 1966. The plane is scheduled to leave New York City at about midnight and according to the source, it will have about 100 people aboard.

Wachtel indicated that Jackie Robinson (former major league baseball player), [redacted] of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), and other celebrities would be among the passengers. Arrangements for the flight are being handled by Bayard Rustin (Organizer of the March on Washington, D.C.), according to Wachtel. Jones said he would also make arrangements to take the same chartered plane.

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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 21, 1966, that Stanley Levison and Clarence Jones, were in conversation regarding the charter flight to Mississippi. Levison said he would take the midnight flight along with [redacted] (former

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[redacted] of New York). Justice remarked that he, too, would  
take the case right.

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On June 22, 1965, the case source advised that  
Levinson, while in contact with [redacted], New York  
City public relations man and advisor to [redacted] (later King,  
Dr.) said he was told by [redacted] (Washington,  
D.C.), that several notes entertained [redacted] in the  
march, [redacted]

[redacted] said he would have his office in Los  
Angeles, California contact King and [redacted] and inform  
them that Samy Davis (the noted singer) had invited them  
to participate in the march, and would be contacting them.  
[redacted] said a chartered plane would take them from Los Angeles  
to Mississippi.

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On June 23, 1965, the case source furnished information  
indicating that Stanley Levison and [redacted] of the  
SCIC were in conversation on that date. [redacted] inquired  
as to what progress was being made by the New York Committee  
for [redacted] March. Levison said Levison had called apart since  
Rayford Busby, the New York Coordinator, could not be reached.  
Levison said he had concluded in his mind that Busby should  
not be given any more assignments by Harold Luther King, since  
Busby always seemed to walk out when his services were needed.  
Levison and [redacted] considered [redacted] was no longer a  
contributing force in the civil rights movement. Busby,  
according to Levison's recollection, was King for his own  
advantage. This was agreed that King was at one time a  
very strong influence in the civil rights movement, but  
that his influence had waned.

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[redacted] in commenting on the Mississippi march  
said, that he did not believe the march would be as effective as it was in the Selma march.  
He said, however, that in preparation for the final day of  
the march, SCIC Board members had been instructed to go  
into surrounding neighborhoods of Jackson, Mississippi and  
also New York to report to Jackson on Sunday. Levison said  
the march would not be very effective since most people in  
the United States were no longer interested in civil rights  
but in Vietnam.

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Communist Influence in Racial Matters:  
Demonstrations Protesting the Shooting  
of [redacted]

During the night of June 22, 1966, according to the same source, a conference took place between Martin Luther King, Stanley Levison, Clarence Jones and Harry Wachtel. King said the pressing financial problems encountered in the Mississippi march had necessitated his calling the conference. He said "they" were \$4,000.00 in the red and were expecting to be at least \$20,000.00 in the red by the end of the march on Sunday, June 25, 1966.

King held a meeting between the NCIC, the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee, SNCC, and the Congress of Racial Equality, CORE, that took place on the afternoon of June 22, 1966. It was during the meeting that it was revealed that all three organizations were broke. King said he then took upon himself to raise \$10,000.00 before Sunday, June 25, 1966, [redacted] agreed to raise \$1,000.00 and \$4,000.00 respectively.

The march, King said, has received very poor reception so far, and he attributed this to the Black Nationalist controversy, the statements made in Mississippi concerning violence, and the credibility of the march itself. He said funds had not been received, thus necessitating personal appeals to certain selected individuals. He then asked the names of people who should be appealed to.

Harry Wachtel said he would appeal to [redacted] of the United Packing House Workers of Chicago, but who was in Jackson, Mississippi. He said he would also appeal to [redacted] of the United Auto Workers, American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations, AFL-CIO. King said he received \$5,000.00 on Sunday, June 19, 1966, from [redacted].

Stanley Levison was instructed by King to contact [redacted] (a prominent New York City attorney) and appeal to him for money, and to get from him names of other people who might respond.

James Huffa, President of the Teamsters Union, according

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to King, gave him \$25,000.00 to aid in the march. King said  
Hoffa should be recontacted to ascertain if they (Teachers)  
would give more and if not, raise a loan to aid the march.

King said all money collected as a result of the  
appeal, should be sent to the First Methodist Church, 1035  
Magnolia Avenue, Jackson, Mississippi.

In analyzing the past reception of the march, King  
said people misinterpreted the march and that in fact, he had  
considered several times pulling out of the problem because  
greater each day. Everyone participating in the conference  
agreed that the ideological differences between the participating  
civil rights organizations would have to come to a head as soon  
as possible. They said they did not understand the  
confrontation between the organizations had been avoided for  
such a long period.

Clarence Jones announced that [redacted]  
[redacted] of Michael Schwerner, one of the three civil rights  
workers who were slain in the Philadelphia, Mississippi,  
desired to participate in the march, but was unable to get  
and financial. King instructed Jones to send Schwerner a  
telegram inviting him to come to Mississippi.

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Clarence Jones is the General Counsel to the United  
Labor Party for [redacted] 15 East 47th Street, New York, New  
York.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable  
information in the past, advised on February 20, 1967, that  
he identified a photograph of Clarence Jones as a person whom  
he met during late 1955 or early 1956 as a member of and  
in a position of leadership in the Labor Youth League.

The Labor Youth League was then designated pursuant  
to Executive Order 12812.

Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the

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Demonstrations Protesting the Assassination  
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Candhi Society for Human Rights, New York, New York.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information in December, 1964, that Harry H. Weinstel, [redacted] New York, New York, was on a list of individuals named as active members of the National Lawyers Guild.

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A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

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(U) On March 3, 1964, [redacted] confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which revealed that the name Harry Weinstel was on a list of names, significance not known, which was maintained at the Headquarters of the Kings County Communist Party (CP) at 26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. ~~(S)~~

(U) Regarding [redacted] it is noted that the same confidential source furnished information on March 5, 1964, which revealed that her name and address were on a list of names of newly elected officers of the Bath Beach Club of the Kings County CP. ~~(S)~~

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With respect to the Candhi Society for [redacted] it is to be noted that this organization is an adjunct of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), of which Martin Luther King, Jr., is the president, and serves to raise funds for the SCLC.

(U) A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in April, 1964, that Stanley Levinson was a former member of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), in July, 1963. In late 1961 and early 1962, he criticized the CP for not being sufficiently militant in the civil rights struggle. Levinson was described by certain CP leaders as being in the "left" ~~(S)~~

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(U) of the CP in his position on civil rights. His differences, however, are merely tactical and he maintains his ideological adherence to Communism. ~~(S)~~

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1, column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) held in New York City, on February 7-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an open Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

(U) A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 29, 1963, that during a meeting of the National Board, CP, USA, on that date, Benjamin J. Davis remarked that, "Rustin talks so constantly, openly. ~~(S)~~

(U) Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 16, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, Davis told ~~(S)~~

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(U) State that he was working on the project and had contacted  
friends who had contacts with the group to which Austin was  
to speak. ~~(S)~~

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable  
information in the past, advised on January 21, 1964,  
that as of that date, Benjamin J. Davis was National Secretary  
of the CP, USA.

"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, page 27, column  
4, reports that Benjamin J. Davis, National Secretary, CP, USA,  
died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

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ReNYtels dated 6/22 and 6/23/66, concerning March in Mississippi.

Enclosed are 11 copies of a LHM reporting information contained in re communications. Two copies each are enclosed for the information of the Jackson and Memphis offices. Three copies are enclosed for the Atlanta office, since it is origin in the Cominfil SCLC and KING cases.

NY 5496-S\* and NY 3610-S\* were the sources who

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furnished the information contained in the LHM.

The following sources furnished information used to characterize individuals mentioned in the LHM:

[Redacted]

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Anonymous source of WFO, set forth in report of SA JOHN J. WALSH, 7/19/50 at WFO, re "NLG; IS-C"

HENRY WACHTEL

(U) NY 2359-S\*, [Redacted] and [Redacted]

BAYARD RUSTIN

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NY 694-S\*

STANLEY LEVISON [Redacted]

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[Redacted] (By request)

The NYO indices contain insufficient subversive information on [Redacted] to characterize him in the details of LHM.

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(U) This LHM is classified "~~Secret~~" because it contains information from sources, NY 3810-S\* and NY 5496-S\*, who furnish a highly sensitive information about racial matters in the US and the Communist infiltration thereof; and because the characterization of STANLEY LEVISON contains a concentration of information from NY 694-S\* [Redacted]

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  - 1 - 100-12076 (GEORGE MEYERS)
- 2 - Chicago (RM)
  - 1 - 100- [redacted] (COMINFIL NALC)
  - 1 - 100- [redacted]
- 1 - Cleveland (RM)
  - 1 - 100- [redacted] (COMINFIL NALC)
- 2 - Detroit (RM)
  - 1 - 100- [redacted] (COMINFIL NALC)
  - 1 - 100- [redacted]
- 17 - New York
  - 1 - [redacted] (INV.) [redacted] (47)
  - 1 - 100-16785 (JAMES JACKSON) (42)
  - 1 - 100-101936 [redacted] (47)
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On 5/31/65, [REDACTED] advised that the individual named MEYERS who was in attendance at this convention is GEORGE MEYERS, subject of BA File 100-12076.

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[REDACTED] advised that he contacted the BA office telephonically concerning the NALC convention on 5/28 and 29/66.

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May 31 and June 2, 1966

The National Convention of the Negro American Labor Council (NALC) was held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland, on 5/27,28 and 29, 1966. A large crowd was in attendance.

The following Communist Party (CP) members were in attendance at this convention:

JAMES JACKSON



[redacted] from Baltimore

[redacted] from Chicago

FNU MEYERS, a writer for "The Worker" a white male, 55-60 years of age, over 6' tall, heavy build.

On Friday night, 5/27/66, a caucus of CP members was held in [redacted] room at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

[redacted] JIM JACKSON, [redacted]

FNU MEYERS and [redacted] were in attendance. The main purpose of the caucus was to instruct the Party people to get out and work on delegates to vote for CLEVELAND ROBINSON as President of the NALC. JACKSON stated that the Party people are the only ones who will work at this. He mentioned that the Chicago and Youngstown delegations appear to be in favor of ROBINSON but we must continue to work on them also. JACKSON also instructed that all CP members from the NY delegation must attend the Convention meeting on Saturday afternoon, 5/28/66 as an important caucus of the NY Chapter would be held immediately following the convention meeting.

On Saturday morning [redacted] New York Chapter of the NALC, called a caucus of members of the NY delegation in favor of ROBINSON in Room 506 at 9:00 a.m. About 100 people showed up for this caucus including [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted].

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[ ] spoke on the group of people that [ ] [ ] had tried to get into the New York Chapter of the NALC recently. [ ] stated that he had not accepted this group as new members as they had not followed established procedures for obtaining membership and he had not accepted a check for \$1000 for their dues. He stated that A. PHILIP RANDOLPH had indicated that they should be accepted and therefore it would be necessary for him to turn in the check.

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CLEVELAND ROBINSON came into the meeting. He stated that under no circumstances will we give [ ] the votes he seeks. He stated that we will concede to [ ] only three votes from the New York delegation based on one vote for each 50 dues paying members.

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[ ] stated that [ ] is reported to have said that he is seeking RANDOLPH's job as president of the NALC so that he can get rid of the Communists in the Council.

At the meeting of the convention on Saturday afternoon, May 28, A. PHILIP RANDOLPH announced that he was about to retire as President of the NALC but that the people in the AFL-CIO want him to stay on as a vice-president of that organization. He also spoke on the need to improve job opportunities for Negroes.

[ ] spoke on the accomplishments of the NALC in Detroit.

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At this session [ ] the Negro actor, was introduced to the convention.

The caucus of the entire New York delegation was held at about 4:00 P.M. on May 28. It was decided to hold an election and that whoever received the most votes, either the ROBINSON group or the [ ] group, would receive the vote of the entire New York delegation. Two members not from the New York delgation supervised the voting. It took to about midnight to count the votes and ROBINSON was the winner.

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On Saturday night, May 28, a banquet was held. The vice-presidents and other officers were introduced. [ ]

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[redacted] took over and told jokes for about an hour and a half.

The convention continued at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, May 29. The election of officers was held. [redacted] from Detroit withdrew as a candidate for the presidency. CLEVELAND ROBINSON was elected President. ROBINSON gave an acceptance speech in which he stated that no one could really replace A. PHILIP RANDOLPH but that he would do the best he could. ROBINSON gave a routine speech stating mainly what he wanted the NALC to accomplish. He also stated that he hopes to bring the NALC into a more active position in the civil rights struggle, but that he planned no major changes in RANDOLPH's policies.

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A meeting of the Communist Party (CP) Caucus of the New York Chapter of the Negro American Labor Council (NALC) was held at the residence of [redacted] New York, NY, on May 30, 1966, between 12:15 PM and about 3:00 PM. The meeting had been called on that morning by JAMES TORMEY.

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The following were in attendance:

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JIM TORMEY

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At this meeting a discussion was held concerning the National Convention of the NALC that had been held in Baltimore, Maryland, on May 27, 28 and 29, 1966. TORMEY wanted to know of the results of the convention.

TORMEY was advised that CLEVELAND ROBINSON had been elected the new President of the NALC and that [redacted] [redacted] had been re-elected as [redacted] even though efforts had been made to dump her.

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TORMEY stated that it was good that ROBINSON had been elected President in place of [redacted] although the CP was more opposed to the candidacy of [redacted] of Detroit than [redacted]

A short discussion was held concerning the role of [redacted] as [redacted] and a member of the National Executive Board of the NALC. It was felt by those in attendance that [redacted] should take a more positive position in matters in which the CP has an interest and that these matters will be taken up at future meetings of this caucus.

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It was agreed that although this caucus is small in numbers it does have a strong position in the New York Chapter. It was mentioned that we are known to [redacted] [redacted] the New York Chapter and he and other leaders call upon us when needed because they know that we can produce.

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[redacted] arrived at the home of [redacted]  
[redacted] at 5:30 p.m. He had with him [redacted]  
[redacted] and member of the CP National  
Committee. [redacted] told [redacted] that [redacted] was in  
town to attend the Missouri CP State Convention.  
[redacted] was in the living  
room at the time looking over some college literature  
and [redacted] introduced [redacted] to her and he asked her if  
she was planning to attend college and she told him  
she was planning on going to an integrated college  
in the fall. [redacted] said he was not at all sure

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- 1 - 100-10522 [redacted]
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- 1 - 100-7159 [redacted]
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- 1 - 100-19352 (CIRM)

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"whether an integrated college was better than a good all Negro college for the simple reason that in most integrated schools Negroes are in the vast minority and this limits their social life in college, which is very important in our form of society, whereas in an all Negro college a youth can have full participation in everything. While [redacted] and [redacted] were talking, [redacted] called [redacted] aside and showed him the financial report he had prepared to make at State Convention the next day. [redacted] also pointed out to [redacted] that the report showed outstanding debts such as the \$100.00 owed by [redacted] and the \$22.00 owed by the Freedom of the Press Committee, and \$90.00 owed by [redacted] for the sale of the Euker automobile. [redacted] told [redacted] he would have the report typed and ready for him the next morning. [redacted] told [redacted] that the report was good but the outstanding debts would only cause confusion and to leave that off the report. [redacted] told [redacted] he would have the report typed up without the debts."

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Chicago, Illinois  
June 29, 1966

The 18th National Convention of the Communist Party (CP) USA got underway at 7:30 p.m. June 22, 1966 at Webster Hall, 119 East 11th Street, New York, New York when Henry Winston declared "I declare the 18th National Convention of the Communist Party, USA in session." Winston's opening remarks dealt briefly with greeting individuals in attendance at the convention and served as the formal opening speaker. Winston was followed by Gilbert Green, who brought greetings to the delegates, alternate delegates and visitors to the convention in the name of the CP of New York.

James Jackson announced that over 50 messages of greeting had been received from most of the countries around the world and read some of these greetings. There were greetings from India, U.S.S.R., Cuba, France, and almost every other country in the world.

The Chairman, Dorothy Healy, of the Southern District of California, was the Chairman for the opening session.

[ ] (LNU) was named the [ ] for the first session with Helen Winter as the permanent secretary and [ ]

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Gus Hall, General Secretary of the CP, USA then presented his report to the convention. Copies of this speech which lasted from approximately 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. were distributed in mimeograph form to all in attendance, at the sessions on June 23, 1966, which commenced at 9:45 a.m. with a discussion of Gus Hall's opening report of the evening before. Speaker after speaker praised the report, with some criticisms being interjected from time to time. Moved among the individuals who spoke were Tom Dennis from Michigan, who talked about the United Auto Workers (UAW) Union and stated that delegates to the UAW are elected by seniority and not by majority vote and that 40 per cent of the employees in the auto industry today are youth. He stated that the auto manufacturers are planning to close down for a three-month period in order to retool for new models.

[redacted] from Wisconsin spoke on the actions of the Democratic Party in the State of Wisconsin in its recent convention and pointed out that the Wisconsin Democrats had gone against the Johnson Administration in connection with the Viet Nam policy. He stated that this is an indication that there is a prevailing sentiment for peace in the United States and he called for a nationalization of industry in the United States.

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[redacted] (phonetic) spoke concerning the [redacted] march in Mississippi and proposed that the convention go on record as demanding the removal of Attorney General Katzenbach and FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

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[redacted] spoke on youth and the women section. (A copy of her speech was disseminated to all in attendance.)

Anton Krchmarek of Ohio spoke on the declining ~~and~~ production in the United States steel mills and of the competition of foreign exports. He stated that automation has created a situation where men are losing their jobs rapidly and that as a result union activity has increased in the area of political action.

At this point greetings were read from the Central Committee of the CP of Bulgaria.

Following this, a partial report of the Credentials Committee was given by an individual whose name was not learned. This report indicated that thus far 189 delegates and 45 alternates had been registered, with the delegates representing 35 states.

Next, Paul Novick spoke on the growth of anti-Semitism. (This speech was disseminated in printed form to all in attendance.)

Next, [redacted] of the CP of Northern California made some remarks on civil rights in which he stated that Hall's report was somewhat deficient in this respect. He criticized the Hall

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report for the language which had been used in describing the relationship of the alliance between the CP and the various civil rights organizations.

Greetings were read by the permanent chairman from the CP of Argentina and Guadalupe.

William Weinstone from New York reported that the general direction of the report was good but there is not enough mention of the Party's work. He also was critical of the Johnson Administration and the Viet Nam policy and other areas and stated that the Party must concentrate more on denunciation of extreme elements in the United States. He stated that it is wrong to attack the ultra Left when the mistake is being made of overlooking the aristocracy of labor. By aristocracy of labor, he indicated he meant movie actresses and other highly paid individuals who belong to labor unions but are, in fact, not representatives of the working class. He charged that monopoly is a super-structure of Capitalism.

Joseph North of Connecticut talked on the subject of culture and literature and made critical remarks concerning many of the world's well-known authors. He stated that many



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individuals in the world of art make the statement that the work of the artist is "art for art's sake". He described this as a horrible blasphemy and as a convenient escape from the world of reality on the part of mercenary writers. He stated that some people had described [redacted] as being color blind in his writings but North stated that, in fact, he was "blinded by color".

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[redacted] who appears to be a Mexican-American by color of skin and general characteristics, spoke on the report's handling of minority groups. He objected to the reporting; that the way it was written one might tend to lump all of the minority groups together and indicated that each should be handled as a separate problem on its own.

A speaker, who was not identified, ~~is~~ believed to be from Colorado, spoke on the problems concerning Mexican-Americans in the Southwest. He talked of how they are discriminated against in matters of wages, housing, and other ways.

An unidentified woman from New York spoke on the necessity of setting up a National Women's Commission and urged the convention to give this consideration.

Greetings were read from the CP of Israel.

[redacted] from New Mexico spoke on the attitude of the Party concerning religion. He recalled that the Party should take a position less antagonistic toward religion and especially the Catholic Church because the anti-religious attitude only tends to keep many potential sympathizers away from the Party. It is understood that [redacted] is a former seminarian and a practicing Catholic.

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James Allen of New York stated that the CP is currently in the process of a breakthrough. He stated that there is a great deal of interest in Marxism on the part of youth around the country and that more stress on the new Left among the youth was a great opportunity for the CP today. The balance of the day following lunch was spent on similar discussions of Hall's report. At 4:20 p.m. the convention was split up into Panels and Commissions.

The session of the Peace Panel was observed and it was noted there were 22 persons in attendance at this Panel.

[redacted] was named [redacted] and the name of the chairman was not learned. [redacted] (LNU) from New York had made a report in which she stated that the greatest threat to the

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world today is thermonuclear war and the great weakness in the peace movement is that organized labor is not lending sufficient support to it. She mentioned that there is a fight going on between [redacted] and George Meany, which is preventing labor from assuming its proper role. She stated that there should be speakers on peace at every labor meeting and vice versa. She stated that this would result in more involvement of the labor unions and additionally urged that women become more involved through community activities. She stated that peace candidates for public office can draw support from many factions and pointed to Herbert Aptheker as an example. She stated that he has gotten support from many people who are anti-Communist but are for peace.

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Another speaker, a woman from the lower East side of New York whose name was not learned, stated that there is a peace organization in her section of the city and charged that the Trotskyites and the CP leadership have not worked closely enough together in the peace movement. She also stated that a lack of Spanish speaking comrades has hindered the peace movement in her neighborhood.

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[redacted] who was an observer at the convention, stated that he has been trying to spread the peace movement through contacts with members of the clergy throughout the country. He stated that this effort has spread into 60 communities and mentioned a [redacted] (phonetic) of Philadelphia as being among members of the church group contacted.

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An unidentified female spoke from the floor and mentioned that there are many northern retired persons residing in Florida and that there has been a peace group in Florida among these people for the past year and a half. She did not further identify the group or where it is located.

Two young men representing a Students Coordinating Committee from Wisconsin stated that their organization has been helping in the peace movement by providing field workers or peace groups among students and that generally among peace workers and peace groups there is a need for education on how foreign policy is made and pamphlets should be published on how to organize.

[redacted] (LNU), a retired individual from Detroit, who resides in Florida in the winter months also talked of the involvement of trade unions in the peace movement and stated that there is a need generally for more peace candidates for public office.

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[redacted] (phonetic) of Los Angeles stated that service in the Army is an escape for youth of the ghetto and that something must be done to alleviate the ghetto conditions in order to promote the peace movement.

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[redacted] (phonetic) of the CP of Northern California charged that the Viet Nam war is weakening the American economy and stated that 70 per cent of the war funds come from taxes and that primarily the poorer working class people, therefore, support it financially.

[redacted] (LNU) of New York stated that it is her opinion that there is a general disillusionment with the anti-Viet Nam drive by the CP and other Left wing groups on the campuses around the United States because the students have heard too much about it. She felt that it might be more effective if it was not constantly brought to the attention of the students.

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The Chairwoman stated that the Viet Nam war is costing the United States \$43,000,000 a day and recommended that Napalm Manufacturers be boycotted. She noted that there are many items in the civilian market made by these companies and that a boycott of these items would show the manufacturers that the country is aware of the situation and cause them to reject contracts for items for use in Viet Nam. She stated that in New York the 5th Avenue

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Committee has made a nationwide proposal that on the anniversary of Hiroshima, August 6 through 9, there be a nationwide protest by means of anti-war demonstrations.

[redacted] (LNU), a Negro woman from New York, stated that the Negro freedom fight and the peace struggle are one and the same. She stated that one professional man told her the Negroes are a very complex people and charged that professional people among the Negroes are sitting on the fence and are not doing their share. She stated that as a group, it is hard to penetrate the Negro communities and she stated that it is possible for Negro nationalists as well as others to work with the peace movement and with the CP if it can be gotten across to them.

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Following a supper break at approximately 7:40 p.m., [redacted] of Chicago gave a report to the Peace Panel. [redacted] spoke of a strike which had recently occurred in Alton, Illinois and used it as an example of how strikes can be utilized to further the peace movement. He stated that the particular strike he talked about had been one for financial gain by the workers but that strikes could be utilized to call attention to the peace movement just as well as they could for financial purposes. He stated that there are approximately 100,000 troops in Viet Nam scheduled to complete

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their tours of duty in the near future but it is his opinion that the Johnson Administration will take steps to extend their tours of duty. He urged all those in attendance to speak with relatives and anyone they know who have relatives in Viet Nam and urge them to make their opposition known to any plans to extend Viet Nam tours of duty.

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[redacted] (phonetic), of Seattle, Washington, who is a teacher or retired teacher, spoke on the subject of the feasibility of CP work in the two-party system. She indicated that Party people could work within the two major parties in the United States for the advancement of peace in particular.

A young man approximately [redacted]

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[redacted] who is from Madison, Wisconsin, gave a form of lecture on economics. He stated that as demand grows, supply increases and inflation and price increases result. He stated that pressures are put on the "bankrupt" leadership of the labor unions by the rank and file to obtain higher wages and he indicated that there is a possibility that rationing will come as a result of the inflationary trends in an effort to restrain consumer spending. He stated that 30 million people in the United States today pay more taxes than they owe in debts. He charged that the escalation of the Viet Nam War insures inflation. He further stated that small business manufacturers toward the

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end of the year will find themselves without inventories and as a result many will face bankruptcy.

[redacted] (LNU) from West Virginia, complained of the hardship of pushing the peace program in her area. She stated there are very few Negroes there and that most of the people are reactionary and requested that young people be assigned to work for peace in her home area. She stated that the Party people in West Virginia would provide board and room if this were done.

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[redacted] spoke to the group on the military draft. It is understood that he went from one panel to another giving this report. He stated that the recent situation where individuals have refused to go to war and have refused to fight borders on treason and the CP will not use this technique. He described the draft as a method of winning popular support for an unpopular war and that it is a deep-rooted custom of the imperialist system. He stated that the draft is necessary in the United States because the war has failed to win popular support while there has never been a development of patriotism in the

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United States. With this lack of patriotism, it is therefore necessary to have a draft. He stated that the system of deferring college students from the draft at the present time is discriminatory but that this is not the proper time to make a fight against it, and stated that the Party would leave this item until later.

[redacted] addressed the group for a second time and talked of his recent attendance at CP conventions in Czechoslovakia and Mongolia. He stated that in Mongolia, the group had been taken to visit a Buddhist lhamissary. The head lhamas stated that Buddhists are for peaceful co-existence with all types of political beliefs. He stated there were representatives from North Korea and North and South Viet Nam at the Mongolian convention and that the Viet Cong group from South Viet Nam had presented him with a ring which was made from metal from a United States jet which had been downed in North Viet Nam. He stated these Viet Cong representatives said the Viet Nam people have nothing against the United States people but are fighting against the imperialist leaders of the country. He stated that the greatest United States hero to the Viet Nam people is an individual by the name of MORRISON who recently

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committed suicide by burning himself to death. He also stated that the Viet Cong representatives claimed that from January 1, 1966, to the present time, the United States had claimed that 2,500 United States soldiers had been killed when in reality, the figure should be 250,000. He stated that the Viet Cong group say the United States troops are not fighting enthusiastically and gave as an example, a situation where some air-~~born~~ soldiers or Marines refused to board a helicopter to be taken to the fighting and three of them were shot by the captain in charge and three committed suicide.

On June 24, 1966, the convention got under way at 9:40 a.m., with ANTON KRCHMAREK as Chairman. GEORGE MEYERS, "The Worker" columnist, gave a report on trade unions. He stated that the CP must change its attitude towards unions and learn to get along with the union leadership. He stated that there is no Negro-white labor alliance but that work must be done to correct this situation.

(LNU) of the CP of Northern California spoke and stated unions should be organized among women youth and noted there are many trades among women where no efforts have been made to organize.

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[redacted] spoke in support of the resolutions which had been previously disseminated in printed form and [redacted] from Detroit stated that the auto industry is constantly increasing the speeds on assembly lines and there is much work to be done in that group.

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[redacted] of Chicago spoke on the possibilities of Negro-white alliance in labor unions and generally supported the resolution presented on trade unions. He recommended that the resolution be rephrased to indicate that the "Party's activities be sailing in the main stream of progressive currents and activity." GEORGE MEYERS proposed a motion to re-establish the trade union commission and the secretariat, but it was ruled out as being out of order by the Chairman.

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The afternoon session on June 24, 1966, heard LAUDE LIGHTFOOT discuss the Negro question from approximately 1:55 p.m. until shortly after 3:00 p.m. The details of this speech were not obtained.

At 3:30 p.m., [redacted] read a report on the

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youth question. The text of this report was disseminated to all those in attendance in printed form. In the discussion that followed [redacted] report, it was revealed that the youth panel had worked through almost the entire night on the previous night and had still not completed its work. [redacted] and [redacted] presented a motion to continue the discussion on youth and the ~~rules~~ committee chairman ruled that it could be continued sometime after the close of the convention.

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The evening session of June 24, 1966, commenced at 7:25 p.m., with [redacted]. JAMES JACKSON gave a report on the draft resolution and stated that the convention draft program which had been disseminated to everyone had been prepared by a group including (FNU) [redacted], HY LUMER, GIL GREEN, BETTY GANNETT, and himself. The group proposed that a discussion continue on the draft resolutions for a period of one year at which time a national conference would be called on the program. In connection with items contained in the draft program, AL RICHMOND stated that the Chinese CP had attempted to create a split in world communism and had thereby become

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isolated and that this is the only issue existing among the world CPs today.

HERBERT APFELBERG spoke briefly on the industrial development and its relationship to the draft program.

LOU DISKIN spoke on the method by which the draft program was disseminated and urged that wider publicity be given to the program. He also urged all Party members to buy a copy of the draft program.

ARNOLD JOHNSON, the CP publicity director, urged that the draft program be given wide publicity and efforts be made to get copies of it out to everyone possible.

GILBERT GREEN stated that it is necessary for the CP to have an appreciation of the effect that power reverses in the realm of politics in the various countries has on peace. He stated that the idea that this is the American century is not true but in fact this is a revolutionary century.

A BOB (LNU) spoke and urged that all in attendance at the convention send telegrams to their Congressmen

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protesting the intentions of the United States military to bomb Hai Phong.

The June 25, 1966 morning session of the convention commenced at 9:15 a.m., with [redacted] of the New England CP as [redacted] and [redacted] of Illinois as [redacted].

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[redacted] gave a report on the peace panel and stated that after discussions, the peace panel supported the draft resolution as submitted.

[redacted] gave a report on Party organization and stated that it is the wish of the CP leadership that the membership be doubled by the time the 19th National Convention is convened.

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WILLIAM WEINSTONE stated that in the absence of a mass group in the Party vanguard, the CP should develop a wide psychological campaign in order to spread its program. He said the CP members should attempt to develop class consciousness and social mindedness among Americans.

An unidentified woman from California stated that there was no mention of democratic centralism in the Party's draft program and stated that there is danger that

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the Party may develop into a bureaucracy. She stated  
"our resolutions should reflect ourselves." [redacted]

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[redacted] of Chicago gave a report on "The Worker" which  
supported the draft resolution.

Other speakers who appeared included [redacted]  
(LNU) of Ohio, [redacted] (LNU) of Washington State, and [redacted]  
(LNU) of Colorado, all of whom supported the CP draft  
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Following lunch CONRAD KOMOROWSKI, from Detroit, continued the discussion which he had previously commented on concerning the Michigan Democrat Party split and also made statements concerning the Negroes as a national group.

DOROTHY HEALY spoke late in the afternoon concerning male chauvinism and charged that women are being ignored to a certain extent in the CP, USA.

(LNU), from California or New Mexico, made a report on Mexican Americans and the terrible discriminations they are subjected to in the Southwest United States.

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Following this, the various state delegations caucused in preparation for a voting on the resolutions and other business that would come before the Convention on the following day.

At 8:15 P.M. on June 25, 1966, a report was given from the fraternal delegate from Puerto Rico who spoke in Spanish. He stated that this Convention was of extraordinary importance to the people of Puerto Rico and stated that the people of Puerto Rico are under police oppression and the Puerto Ricans wanted a better understanding between themselves and the CP, USA. He stated this latter message was brought to them

from the Central Committee of the Puerto Rican CP.

[redacted] (ph), a member of the Central Committee of the Canadian CP, brought greetings from Canada and stated that in some ways Canada is merely a colony of U.S. monopoly, that is ~~is~~ monopolistic industry. He was critical of U.S. foreign policy in connection with this.

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[redacted], the fraternal delegate from Santo Domingo, spoke in English and charged the United States Government with imperialistic aggression in its Dominican policy. He said in concluding his remarks, "Yankees get out of the Dominican Republic".

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HENRY WINSTON spoke for 45 minutes to introduce [redacted] (ph) of the Chilean CP. [redacted] read a speech which she had previously prepared and charged that Chile is under the heel of United States imperialism just as Cuba is. She also read a poem about Cuba in Spanish and stated that "there will be Cubas all over South America", and in closing stated "Viva Party Comunista, Viva La Paz, Viva Comunismo Solidarity Internationale".

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The balance of the evening was devoted to social activities.

A morning session of June 26, 1966, began at 9:30 A.M. with BURT NELSON of the Washington State CP as Chairman. He was also identified as the Chairman of the Rules Committee and appeared to be the parliamentarian for the Convention. [redacted] of Illinois was the acting Secretary.

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TOM DENNIS of Detroit gave a report on the Constitution Committee and the amendments were read with no discussion and the amendments were adopted.

[redacted] of Chicago was introduced as a charter member of the CP and talked for five minutes of his life as a Party member and how much he has appreciated being in the Party all these years. A partial report was given by the Credentials Committee indicating that there were 213 delegates in attendance, and 42 alternate delegates.

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At 10:20 a.m., the observers and visitors were requested to leave the hall until they were invited to return. Next GUS HALL, General Secretary, spoke. He asked a rhetorical question as to what kind of candidates are needed for the National Committee and then answered by saying they need people of commitment, of loyalty, of maximum class experience. Special considerations should be

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given to Negroes, to women, and to those who have deep-seated ideological concern. He stated that the Party must be more public in its work and the representatives of the Party must be open spokesmen for the Party. He stated that the committees must be smaller because of the pressures being brought upon the Party and in order that some of the candidates cannot be revealed for various reasons. HALL stated that the composition of the group nominated consisted of 16 Negroes of whom four are women; 22 youths; three Mexican Americans; two Puerto Ricans; two from the Rocky Mountains; 19 from New York; 22 from the Midwest; six from New England and 12 from the National Party Office.

HELEN WINTER, the permanent Chairman, reported that a Balloting Committee of 10 would be selected and it was noted that HERB WRIGHT from Illinois was the Illinois representative on this body.

WINTER announced that a proposed National Committee of 80 members was to be voted on. Delegates were instructed to vote for no fewer than 60 and not over 80 and that any ballots that did not meet this requirement would be voided. The head of each delegation obtained the ballots for the respective delegations. These ballots were then distributed to the delegates who voted.

While the ballots were being counted, [REDACTED] gave the proposed dues and assessments schedule which had been worked out by the Assessment Committee. He reported that as of January 1, 1967, the dues shall be based on weekly earnings of members with the schedule as follows:



At approximately 1:30 P.M., the observers were invited to return to the hall and various reports were received including a report by the Credentials Committee from [ ] (LNU). He reported that there were 24 districts represented with 213 delegates, 42 alternate delegates and 422 observers. He reported 62 were from the Midwest; 288 from the East Coast; fraternal delegate from Canada, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Chile and the Dominican Republic and India. It was reported that there were 88 females in attendance, 91 persons under age 35, 159 over 35 years of age, 11 persons with from six months to one year in the CP, 20 with from one to two years in the CP, 26 with from two to five years in the CP, 57 with over five years of CP membership, 24 with from ten to 20 years in the CP, two with 35 years, 29 with over 35 years membership and 30 charter members.

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At 3:25 P.M., GUS HALL gave a summary of the Convention and stated that it is realized that there is now a new dominant force in the world, that of Socialism. He stated that the CP must be active in political circles, must promote candidates for public office and must participate in shop and trade union work. He talked of recruiting new members for the CP and of getting out to distribute

Party literature in increasing amounts. He stated that presently "we have a Party that can speak for millions but it doesn't." Hall urged the Party members to continue the struggle for Communist standards that are higher than any organization in the USA. He stated the convention had made all of them better Americans for Socialism.

SOL, from California, spoke concerning the plight of strikers in the Southwest and proposed a membership collection to help. \$457 was taken in collection for this purpose. The Balloting Committee report was given by [REDACTED], formerly of New York, but now of Chicago, and HELEN WINTER made a long speech in which she stated that the names of those elected to the National Committee would not be given for security reasons but the names of those who were not elected or some identifying data would be given and she thanked those individuals for their conscientious efforts on behalf of the Party. It was noted that MORRIS from Illinois was given as one of those not elected.

It was learned that the following individuals were elected to the National Committee:

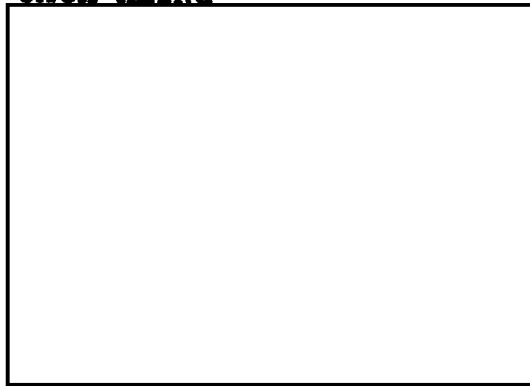
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HENRY WINSTON  
CARL WINTER (New York)  
HELEN WINTER (New York)  
[redacted] (Illinois, not in attendance at Convention)  
[redacted] (Illinois).

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The following individuals were observed in attendance from Illinois during the entire period of the Convention:

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It is noted that a young woman by the name of [redacted] sat with the Illinois delegates and was elected to the National Committee from Illinois. The background data that was passed out to the delegates and

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alternate delegates concerning her prior to the election indicated that she has recently done graduate work at an Eastern university and it is believed that it is Harvard University. She is reported to be planning to continue her graduate education at some university in the Chicago area beginning in the Autumn. She is a white female, approximately [redacted] build, [redacted] pounds, [redacted] hair, worn in old-fashioned hairdo, light complexion, cute normal nose, approximately [redacted] years of age, apparently single. She was noted to be particularly friendly with [redacted]. It is believed that [redacted] is an alias and not her true name.

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[redacted] a young Negro, [redacted] was picked to become a [redacted] in the absence of [redacted]. This election was made on the basis of the fact that [redacted] was [redacted] who had received [redacted] in the State Convention.

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On 6/29/66, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished to SA [redacted] information concerning the 18th National Convention of the CP, USA held at New York, 6/22/66 to 6/26/66. This information was dictated on 6/30/66, and authenticated by the informant on 7/1/66. The original is located in Chicago File [redacted]. The informant obtained printed copies of speeches and other material which were given out at the Convention and all of this material is being placed in the 1-A section of Chicago File 100-33741. Details of the information furnished is as follows:

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- JAMES JACKSON
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1 - 100-16021 ARNOLD JOHNSON  
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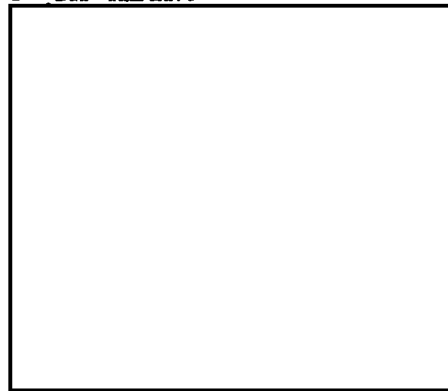


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On the evening of June 11, 1966, [redacted] sponsored a street rally at 127th Street and Lenox Avenue, New York, NY, to protest the recent shooting of [redacted] in Mississippi. Approximately 400-500 people attended the rally, which lasted from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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Among the various speakers, Black Nationalist EDWARD DAVIS condemned the Johnson Administration for deceiving Negroes on anti-poverty programs. DAVIS also called for those going to join the Mississippi March to go armed. [redacted] gave a history of Naryou-Act and claimed the Johnson Administration tried to sabotage that organization.

There were no incidents of violence and no arrests were made.





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18th National Convention  
Communist Party, USA  
June 22-26, 1966  
Webster Hall  
119 East 11th Street  
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Registration of delegates, alternates, and observers  
took place on June 21 and 22, 1966.

Sessions on Wednesday Evening,  
June 22, 1966, 7:30 p.m.

The Convention was opened by HENRY WINSTON, who  
declared the 18th Convention of the Communist Party (CP), USA  
as being open. WINSTON received a big ovation.

WINSTON appointed DOROTHY HEALEY of Los Angeles,  
California, as temporary chairman of the opening sessions.

HEALEY introduced GIL GREEN, Chairman of the New York  
CP District, who gave the welcoming address.

GREEN was followed by HELEN WINTER and JIM JACKSON, who  
stated that the Convention has received telegrams and greetings  
from 50 different Parties. Ten of these greetings were read by  
both HELEN WINTER and JIM JACKSON.

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These readings were followed by a musical number. At this time HENRY WINSTON introduced GUS HALL, who received a big ovation and proceeded with a three hour speech, which speech was interrupted many times by applause. Printed copies of GUS HALL's three hour speech were available, and following is the introduction of HALL's speech:

#### "I. INTRODUCTION

"Comrade Winston, our very welcome guests from other lands, and our very welcome guests from our own land, visitors, observers, ladies and gentlemen of the press, radio and television from many lands, and fellow delegates:

"We owe an apology and an explanation to the large number of fraternal delegates and visitors who were blocked by the wall of fear -- a U.S. wall of fear -- from being here with us tonight. These delegates included workers, professionals, trade union leaders, youth leaders, members of parliament, editors and cultural figures. To those who are excluded, let me say that the unfriendly act of your exclusion by the frightened little men in Washington was not directed against any of you personally. They did not believe any of you were coming here to overthrow our government, or that any of you had secret weapons on you. What frightened them was something much

more formidable. They were frightened by your thoughts, your ideas. The little men in the State Department were in a dilemma. If you had weapons, they could frisk you; if you had books they could burn them. What can one do about thoughts, about ideas? The problem was unnerving and the curtain of fear descended upon you. It is only further proof of the old adage: When the time for an idea has come, it frightens little men who are stuck with ideas whose time has long since gone.

"This gathering is an important event in the political life of our country. Here again, it is not our size that is considered a clear and present danger -- it is our ideas, our thoughts. This fear of ideas by the most powerful capitalist class of the world speaks volumes about an inner weakness -- the instability of the capitalist system.

"Our being here is a testimonial to another law of social progress: that when an idea reflecting the realities of the moment is brought to the people, when such a truth is presented forthrightly, it is invincible. During the past years the truth embodied in the science of Marxism-Leninism as presented by our Party, has been outlawed, persecuted and prosecuted. It has been distorted and misrepresented. It has been time and time again solemnly declared to be sick, old, dying

and -- many times -- dead. But after the Smith Act, the McCarran Act, the Communist Control Act, after Landrum-Griffin and Taft-Hartley, after McCarthyism, after Leavenworth, Atlanta, Lewisburg, Alderson, Terre Haute and Danbury -- here we are in a National Convention; here we are a vital factor on the political scene; here we are united and growing. It is proof again: you cannot imprison, isolate or destroy an idea. You cannot bottle up a truthful reflection of reality.

"We are the first to admit: we could not have achieved this victory by ourselves--in fact it is not our victory. The holding of this Convention is a victory of that democratic spirit, that democratic concept that has such deep roots in our national character. And so we want to take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation to the millions of our people, some of whom are among you who are here -- to the millions of our people who do not agree with us, but who had such deep democratic convictions, who saw through the smokescreen of anti-Communism, who came to the defense of Communists because it was the only way to defend our democratic institutions. We want also to give our thanks to the millions throughout the world who expressed their solidarity with us. We hope we can be worthy of so much concern by so many people. And we hope we can be worthy of so much fear and worry by our class opponents.

"There is one matter that casts its ugly shadow over our lives, over everything we do. This is the criminal, brutal U.S. imperialist aggression against the people of Vietnam. This is the most vicious, savage, uncivilized assault on a small nation in all the annals of human history.

"The savagery of Hitler Germany--transporting its victims to the crematoria--shocked the conscience of civilized man. But now the United States is operating hundreds of flying crematoria, delivering the devouring seas of flame that engulf villages, towns and the countryside. Its victims in the first place are women and children. When in the history of human brutalities has any nation ever set out to destroy by fire and by massive, indiscriminate use of chemicals, everything that grows, every living sprout, every living animal? Unless this is stopped, Vietnam will be as barren as the surface of the moon. As the gas chambers and the storm troopers are Hitler Germany's contribution, so 'depopulation,' 'defoliation,' 'saturation bombing,' 'napalm,' are words, concepts and deeds the United States is contributing to civilization.

"If it is possible to compound a crime of such vileness and such magnitude, then it is compounded by the sickening demagogy, the depraved hypocrisy of Johnson, McNamara, Rusk and Goldberg. This is moral degeneracy with no bottom. It is demagogy unsurpassed in history.

"On one day last week, while 300,000 U.S. troops in Vietnam supported by hundreds of warships were raining death on the Vietnamese people, while U.S. planes were burning villages in South Vietnam and bombing cities in North Vietnam, while U.S. forces were rushing to finish new military air-fields in Thailand, and while Buddhist monks who refused to support the miserable puppet Ky were being harassed and arrested-- while all this was taking place on one single day under the orders of Johnson as Commander-in-Chief--on that same day McNamara announced new troop shipments to Vietnam, Johnson spoke about our great love for peace and independence, Rusk declared that the nations of the world had better get on with working for peace, and Goldberg spoke again of how the U.N. is not doing its part in bringing peace in Vietnam.

"This is the dead end to all intellectual honesty-- that such depraved insanity, this gross hypocrisy is presented as policy.

"This is imperialist aggression. In the context of this demagogy, one can even appreciate Eisenhower's slip in giving his reasons for the aggression, when he said:

'The tin and tungsten we so greatly value from that area would cease coming.' What he meant was that U.S. big business

can steal it by way of military aggression. Otherwise they would have to buy it. That is the role of the aggression. The people of Vietnam want the simple right of determining for themselves what they wish to do with their tin and tungsten. The U.S. corporations want to steal it.

"That is what U.S. imperialism is about throughout the world. That, for example, is the meaning of the unending policy of aggression, infiltration and provocation against Cuba. The people of Latin America, Asia, Africa, Canada want to be the masters of their own destinies. Self-determination is an obstacle to imperialist robbery. Independence is the key to equality of nations. U.S. policy in Vietnam is rather to destroy a people, a nation, than to grant it the right of self-determination.

"On the home front this criminal aggression creates a backlash like that of a tidal wave. It is eroding and eating away the lives, resources and moral values of our society.

"The war on poverty, the announced attack on slumism, hot school lunches, housing, school construction, urban renewal are already slipping into the churning waters brought on by the policy of aggression. They remain empty platitudes in the speeches of Lyndon B. Johnson and Hubert Humphrey.

"The mind of every American must absorb these facts. The conscience of our people must be aroused by them. We cannot rest until the last piece of U.S. military equipment, the last warship, the last plane, the last military personnel has been removed from the soil of Vietnam. We cannot rest until the people of Vietnam have the full right to determine their own affairs.

"United, aroused, determined we can put an end to this crime, this mass murder. We cannot rest until we do."

In addition, HALL in his speech spoke on the following topics or points:

World Forces

Foreign Policy in Crisis

The Working Class

Civil Rights

The Fight for Peace

Political Action

Youth

Women

The Forces of Progress

The Ideological Crisis

World Marxism



It is noted that seated on the rostrum at the Convention Hall along with GUS HALL were about 22 Party dignitaries including HENRY WINSTON, [REDACTED] IRVING POTASH, JACK KLING, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, GIL GREEN, Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER, WILLIAM PATTERSON, JIM JACKSON, HY LUMER, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and others, (It is noted that there were no Negro women on the rostrum.) Adjournment for the first session was had at about 11:30 p.m.

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Sessions for Thursday Morning,  
June 23, 1966, 9:30 a.m.

[REDACTED] who served as [REDACTED] of the Convention Arrangements Committee, made a proposal for the Presidium, which was voted upon and accepted. [REDACTED] also proposed secretaries for the Convention, among whom were [REDACTED] of Illinois and [REDACTED] of Pennsylvania. An Appeals Committee and Credentials Committee were also established, it being noted that [REDACTED] served on the Credentials Committee.

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At this time discussion was opened based on GUS HALL's report of the previous evening as well as on the Party's program. Some of the speakers who spoke on HALL's report were:

[REDACTED] of New York

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[redacted] (phonetic), a  
Negro of California

JOE WORTH of New York

GEORGE MEYERS of Baltimore

Following is part of the report made by [redacted]

"Let me first give you some facts. As you will probably remember, at the end of 1959 a swastika epidemic broke out in West Germany which spread to many countries of the 'free world', including the United States. In the first two months of 1960 the number of desecrated synagogues in the United States amounted to -- SIX HUNDRED and FORTY-THREE. I repeat: 643 synagogues were desecrated in the course of two months. And there is no published record of criminals caught and punished.

"As a result of this development the Anti Defamation League of the Order of B'nai B'rith was instrumental in having the University of California Research Center institute a study on the subject of anti-Semitism in the United States. After five years of work by eleven professors of that university headed by the director of the Center, Charles Y. Glock (a Lutheran), the first of seven volumes of this study was now published by Harper & Row under the name of 'Christian Beliefs and Anti-Semitism'.

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"As its name implies, the new published volume deals with the Christian religion as the source of anti-Semitism, due to the age old libel that the Jews were responsible for the death of Christ - and for which even Jews of today are supposedly responsible.

"The California study deals with (1) anti-Semitism among whites, as well as among Negroes, (2) the impact of the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem, and (3) the ultra-Right and anti-Semitism. Regarding the Eichmann trial, the study brought out that only 16% of those polled knew anything about it; that the majority of those who knew most about it were least sympathetic to the trial, and that 43% of the church members interviewed think Jews should stop complaining about Nazi atrocities.

"At a previous Party gathering I had the occasion to point to the fallacy of the 'theory' of 'subordinate' questions. Once a question is 'subordinated', or a 'minor' one, it turns out to be no question at all. That is why, for instance, anti-Semitism is so rarely, if ever, mentioned in the Worker, in our Party literature generally. But a 'minor' question continues, of course, to be a question and must not be ignored. I submit, however, that anti-Semitism is a major

question at the present moment; a major question in itself and one closely linked with the struggle against war and fascism, the heroic struggle of the Negro people.

"In closing, I wish to draw attention again, as I did at the previous gathering, to work among the nationalities, or national groups in the country, among the millions of foreign born, to mass work amongst them. As one active in the Jewish community I would wish Jewish Communists participate in this work, instead of regarding such work - as many of them do - as something having no relation to Party activity."

Following is also part of the report by [redacted]

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"In the two major documents on youth, 'For Life With a Purpose', and the Youth Resolution there are two overriding themes. The first is to point to the special and intense problems of youth in present-day society; the second, is to illustrate the growing numbers of youth in society and estimate that young people will be one of the two most important allies of the working class in the struggle for socialism. The need for these two assertions is made poignantly and painfully clear by the failure of the Party Draft Program to have more than a few paragraphs on the role of youth in American society--

particularly in their contribution to the development of the entire Movement. This lack in the Party Program is no accident. It stems from a lack of understanding of youth; of the young and new generation; a lack of sensitivity to youth's problems; and a failure to grasp the fundamental theoretical basis for the youth question. For it must certainly be recognized that in this period the youth have led not only specifically youth movements, but have been in the forefront of the peace and civil rights movement which cut across generational lines. For example, [redacted] [redacted] is [redacted] and [redacted] who ran for congress in Northern California on a militant anti-war program, just turned [redacted]. The role of youth in leading the Movement is reflective of the crisis of youth in American society today.

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"The youth question is not the figment of an imagination. It really exists in capitalist society, and later, even under socialism. Understanding the basis of the youth question in theory will sharpen the questions posed in 'Life With A Purpose', and in the Youth Resolution. Arguing the theoretical basis of the youth question is essential to beginning a struggle to enable the entire Party to understand the decisive role of youth in the struggle for socialism. Policies of the Party will change as we take account of youth in the Movement; and develop our policies to reflect the needs of young people.

"We seek here to begin to lay the basis for a theoretical understanding of the youth question. Much more will be needed and will come as we continue our discussions and our probing. It must be said that the obvious and glaring omission in this paper is discussion of the special oppression of Negro youth in a society predicated upon racism.

"We shall try to show that not only does capitalism create the special youth question, but that under state monopoly capitalism this question is sharpened and intensified. Further, it is not an accident of history that this generation has played a significant role in the development of a revitalized left in America. It reflects the deep crisis of youth in a society which offers them little possibility of life with meaning and purpose.

"The youth question becomes divisive and harmful when it is ignored by the Party; and when the ruling class uses it to divide the people and the working class. But, comrades, the youth question can be a tremendously creative force. It is such a creative force under capitalism when expressed in a struggle. It is a creative force under socialism where the forms exist to give life with a purpose to youth. A special understanding of youth's problems and their derivation, will give the Party a forward looking policy--a policy in tune with the times--the times that 'are a changin'."

After GEORGE MEYERS spoke he made a move that the Convention send a telegram to Washington demanding the removal of J. EDGAR HOOVER and Attorney General KATZENBACH from their offices for failure to protect the marchers in Mississippi. This motion was carried.

At this time there was a report of the Credentials Committee, which stated that at this particular time there were 189 delegates and 45 alternates registered.

The Convention then named the Presidium, which included 35 individuals, among whom were JIM JACKSON, [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted].

Afternoon Sessions of June 23, 1966,  
2:00 p.m.

[redacted] was elected to chair the afternoon sessions.

[redacted] of the Arrangements Committee, announced that various panels will go into session from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. with a break from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., and again reconvene from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Among the panels to be held were:

Trade Union Work

Negro Rights

**Youth**

**Political Action**

**Party Organization and Press**

**Constitution Committee**

**Resolutions Committee**

**Press and Public Relations**

Word was passed to the heads of various delegations that visitors would be permitted to participate in the various panel discussions.

At this time various chairmen were named to each of the panels as well as individuals who would make reports concerning the panels. Concerning Trade Union Work JIM TORMEY of New York was named chairman with GEORGE MEYERS giving the report. Concerning Negro Question [redacted] of Illinois was assigned to open the discussion on Negro Question with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT serving as reporter. Regarding the CP Draft Program JIM JACKSON is to serve as chairman. Regarding Political Action DOROTHY HEALEY was named reporter.

After announcements and these assignments concerning the various panels were made discussion continued on GUS HALL's report.

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At this time CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT introduced [redacted] of Missouri, who spoke. [redacted] was followed by [redacted] who is from either the state of Oregon or Washington.

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At 4:00 p.m. the panels proceeded to their designated meeting places.

Concerning the Negro Rights panel, [redacted] was elected chairman and it was noted that about 50 people were in attendance.

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[redacted] was introduced by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and [redacted] opened the panel on Negro Question. [redacted] spoke for about 35 minutes and in his report pointed out that the center of struggle for the Negro people is now in Chicago.

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[redacted] stated that the merging of the forces of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCO), and Negro American Labor Council (NALC) is having its impact in the fight for full equality for the Negro people in Chicago. The central issues emerging in these efforts are essentially those projected in our Draft Resolution on the Negro Question, namely, abolishing the ghetto, the economic question, political representation, quality education, and building the Negro Labor Alliance.

[redacted] was followed by [redacted] of New York, who dealt on the rent strike and the ghetto in New York.

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JAKE GREEN of Baltimore then spoke and was followed by [redacted] of Chicago.

The following also spoke:

[redacted] of Illinois

[redacted] of California

[redacted] (LNU) of New York

[redacted] of the Texas CP

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BETTY GANNETT of New York brought out that the reform movement of the Democratic Party in New York never touched the Negro Question.

The summary of the panel was made by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, who stated that the main topic of the white comrades is to fight white leaders, while the job of Negro communists is to fight Negro misleaders. LIGHTFOOT also pointed out that the language of the Negro Labor Alliance must be strengthened at the Convention. This concluded this session.

It was noted that on the master registration sheet for the Convention there were listed 14 delegates, five alternates and 32 observers from Illinois.

Sessions for Friday Morning,  
June 24, 1966, 9:30 a.m.

ANTON KRCHMAREK chaired the morning sessions.

At this time a report was given by GEORGE MEYERS from the Trade Union panel.

MEYERS stated that there are one and one-half million people in United Auto Workers (UAW), and in the last five years UAW has retired 120,000 workers who were the militant trade unionists instrumental in organizing UAW and are familiar with the Party's role in organizing the mass industries. There is an urgent need for shop clubs in industry. Speed-ups must be stopped.

[redacted] of Detroit pointed out that when you refer to the Negro Labor Alliance you are talking of an alliance for WALTER REUTHER or an alliance which will help the Negro win complete freedom.

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At this time GEORGE MORRIS, not a delegate, received special permission to speak and MORRIS called for a "me too" resolution which actually did not spell out anything. MORRIS pointed out that there is room for improvement in the discipline of our Party and perhaps this should be rewritten altogether. He further stated that the leadership of our Party should be instructed to write a pamphlet on Negro Labor Alliance. He

further suggested that the new leadership of the Party should rewrite these suggestions and have them ready within the next two months. He also pointed out that the CP Trade Union Commission should be re-established.

There was an announcement made at this time that anyone who had business with the Appeals Committee is to meet with the committee at 3:00 p.m.

Afternoon Sessions of  
June 24, 1966

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT reported in connection with the Negro Question and pointed out that there was considerable work to be done on the Negro Resolution, and he felt that it is time for the Party to put out a major document on this issue. He said that because of the fact that 70 per cent of the Negro population in the United States are living in the cities, it is important that the Party gets such a document out for distribution. LIGHTFOOT further stated that the Negro cadre in the Party must work with the Negroes in the ghettos. He recommended that the CP Negro Commission work on these questions. He further pointed out that WILLIAM PATTERSON, who now is ill, has been chairman of this commission. He felt that the recommended procedures discussed in the Negro Question panel be

taken up by the Negro Commission. He further pointed out that there will be no summary; however, he recommended that the incoming leadership take up these issues with the Negro Commission.

Evening Sessions of June  
24, 1966, 7:00 p.m.

At this time [redacted] and JIM JACKSON gave reports concerning the CP Draft Program.

JACKSON pointed out that the Draft booklet should be discussed for a year and that the new leadership call a conference within a year to adopt the program even though at the present time the program continued to be the main basis for improvement. JACKSON felt that the program's treatment of the Negro Question is correct. He pointed out that the Negro Question is not a separate, but a national question, and that complete integration of the Negro people in America should be the goal.

AL RICHMOND, the main writer of the Party Program, criticized the Party Program because it had tried to compare the industrial production of capitalism with socialism. He suggested that socialism will equal capital production as of 1970. He stated that there is a lot of contradiction in the capitalist camp and that these contradictions are continually

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increasing. He said that by the same token unity in the socialist camp is far from complete. He said that the continuing colonial revolution is not taking place. He then spoke of the interference of America in the revolution in Africa.

BY LUMER then spoke and pointed out that he and BETTY GANNETT cut the program down to where it is now, so if AL RICHMOND is responsible for what is in the program, LUMER and GANNETT, who edited the program, are responsible for what is not in the program. LUMER further stated that American imperialism has now embarked on a program of aggression.

LUMER further stated that the Chinese Party started the split in the socialist movement, but they did not succeed in splitting the CP movement. They have only isolated themselves. At this time the next speaker was Dr. APTHEKER, who based his speech on the Party Program. APTHEKER pointed out that President JOHNSON is lying every day about conditions in Vietnam, and should be impeached. APTHEKER also spoke of the article written by MORLEY SAFER which appeared in the "Christianity and Crisis," it being noted that SAFER filmed the burning of a Vietnamese village by United States Marines. He also pointed out that SAFER tells of pressures brought on

newsmen at the time when [REDACTED]  
of Defense for Public Affairs, brought together in Saigon  
journalists telling these journalists that they are to report  
only that which makes the United States look good.

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At this time LOU DISKIN of Illinois spoke and pointed out that there are 13 book stores in Chicago selling the Party Program. DISKIN further stated that the proposals to mail the Party Program around the country must be stepped up. He said the teams should sell the Party Program even if they sell only 20 copies just in order that we get the program distributed. He said that actually our goal must be 100,000 copies.

ARNOLD JOHNSON then spoke on the price fixing by capitalism. He pointed out the crime rate, poverty, health problems, police brutality, etc., stating that these things are to be expected in the capitalist country where they have reached their pinnacle. JOHNSON further proposed that the Party Program be printed in pocket size editions and that we sell one million such copies so that the American people can learn the advantages of socialism.

GIL GREEN then spoke, and he pointed out some of the Party's reverses and defeats. He said that there is no such thing as automatic victories. We cannot ride on the coat tails

of history. American intervention in the Congo lasted only 36 hours but it was decisive. It broke the back of the Congo revolution. We are not a great and influential party, but because we exist in the very eye of the hurricane (referring to capitalism and imperialism) is important. That is why we receive so many greetings from abroad. By working correctly, our Party can make an outstanding contribution toward shaping the future of America.

At this time [redacted], a Negro from New York, stated that [redacted] made the statement that religion is the opium of the people. This is not true in the Negro church. The Negro church is the center of the Negro people's activities and socializing, etc., and a lot can be gained by working in the churches.

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At this time JIM JACKSON gave a summary concerning the Party Program and he recommended the adoption of the main line of the Party Program, the continued discussion of the Program, and that we complete the Program in the following year.

At this time HELEN WINTER announced that there will be a meeting of the Spanish speaking people.



Sessions for Saturday Morning,  
June 25, 1966, 9:30 a.m.

[redacted] of Massachusetts gave a report on peace.

At this time [redacted] on the Peace panel, gave a report. [redacted] stated that people in a struggle learn a thousand times faster. He felt that the peace movements in the country are doing a terrific job but more leaflets should be used against the draft and that the draft boards should be examined. In this connection he wondered as to why can a rich man's son stay out of the draft while the poor people's sons are drafted. [redacted] pointed out that there is no red-baiting in the peace movement except with rare exceptions. He mentioned of the many peace demonstrations that have been held around the country, including Washington, D.C., New York, cities in California, Chicago, and he mentioned that these marches must be doubled if we are to convince the American people that they are fighting the war of Wall Street and American imperialism.

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Also, WINESTONE of New York as well as [redacted] of Illinois spoke on peace.

Report on Party Organization  
by [redacted]

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[redacted] pointed out the necessity of building the Party among the working class and the need for establishing an

ideological and educational program from the National CP Office down to the club level in order to improve our tactics and program. He pointed out that there are Constitutional questions which act as obstacles to the building and expanding of our Party. Our Party should become a more visible organization. We should conduct mass campaigns on mass issues. We should develop cadre in our Party in order to strengthen the relationship and improve the work. Too much emphasis has been put on leadership and Party functionaries and not enough on Party work. He felt that the whole Party should be transformed into a working class Party.

[ ] stated that we should restore a daily Marxist newspaper in our country and build the press. He pointed out that 75 per cent of the goal for "The Worker" and "Peoples World" has been reached. He also said that we should build an apparatus for literature sales and distribution. We should have more youth literature, especially on the history of our Party.

At this time a delegate from Minneapolis spoke of re-establishing a book store near the University of Minnesota campus in Minneapolis.

Another delegate from Ohio pointed out as to how far the Party has come, but actually we should really look as to how far we must go. He said we must show the young communists that democracy and democratic centralism exist in the Party and that our Party is not tied down with old ideas.

CARL WINTER then spoke of the age of the Party organization and the need to strengthen it. He said that we must not depend entirely on receiving information from the top leadership but the membership should feed information from themselves back to the top leadership. The Party organization must be used to promote "The Worker" sales and distribution. WINTERS said that our paper does not have the services of the UPI and AP but we must utilize the resources of the CP.

At this time [redacted] summarized the discussion and moved that the new National leadership strengthen and amend the report as stated. This motion was passed.

Sessions of Saturday Afternoon,  
June 23, 1966, 1:30 p.m.

[redacted] an ex-coal miner now working out of Florida, chaired the remaining sessions on Saturday.

The report on Political Action was to have been made by DOROTHEA HEALEY; however, HEALEY was not able to make this report because she had lost her voice.

At this point a delegate reported that a call for a Third Party must be reconsidered in reviewing the present two party systems. The delegate stated that there have been some misgivings in relation to [redacted] of Massachusetts since he does not go along with the Republican line in regard to the United Nations. [redacted] is for our withdrawal from Vietnam and he should be supported in order to break the Jim Crow pattern of the United States Senate which has so existed since the days of reconstruction. He said that new interests should be put on the role of the ultra-right and in this connection he referred to RONALD REAGAN of California and a number of candidates who will be on the ticket in November. This delegate proposed that this draft be rewritten on the basis of the discussion.

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A white female delegate from Cleveland, Ohio, pointed out that if the Party had been united in Cleveland [redacted] would have been elected mayor of Cleveland.

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At this time a delegate from California pointed out that he felt that the general line of the resolution on Political Action should be adopted and the resolution redrawn by the new leadership.

JACK KLING of Illinois recommended that a national test be made in some state regarding CP members being on the ballot (KLING apparently was referring to CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT running as United States Senator from Illinois on the ballot).

At this time [redacted] reported that two more panels, namely, the panel held by the Spanish speaking people and the other on Women be allowed only 45 minutes to make reports. However, a motion was made and passed that each of these panels be given an hour rather than 45 minutes. The reporter in regard to the panel on Women stated that there are 17 women delegates present at the Convention with only one Negro woman. She pointed out that there are 23 million women in industry in the United States, with only three million being organized. She spoke of the desire to organize these unorganized women and the desire for women to play a more leading role in the Party. She further proposed that the Party establish a National Commission on Women, and that such commissions also be established on the District levels.

Following this report [redacted] (phonetic) [redacted] a Negro female delegate, also spoke. Also at this time another delegate proposed that this Women's Commission be established within the next three months.

It was moved that the report from the Committee on Women be accepted.

Report on Spanish-Speaking People

This report was made by [ ] a Puerto Rican female from New York. [ ] requested that the Party do more work in the Puerto Rican Committees than they have in the past. She spoke of the million Puerto Ricans living in New York and the 200,000 Puerto Ricans living in Chicago and how they are being exploited. She pointed out that there should be greater unity between the Negro people and Puerto Ricans.

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[ ] report was followed by a report from one [ ] of California. [ ] spoke of the greater unity which seems to exist among the Puerto Ricans, Mexican-Americans and Negroes. He pointed out the support by the Catholic Church in connection with the strike of the National Farm Workers Association. He said that the Catholic Church is also assisting for the Association to organize in Texas. He said that despair is still the way of life among the Mexican-Americans. He pointed out the high rate of TB, infant mortality and police brutality among these people in California.

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At this time one [ ] a Mexican-American, spoke stating that there are 6,000,000 Mexican-Americans living in the Midwest part of the U.S. He spoke of the ruling authorities'

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treatment of the Mexican-American citizens and in this connection pointed out police brutality. He said that in many instances things will probably get worse because many of these people have been protected by the Committee for Protection of Foreign Born. He said that 60,000 Mexican women make up the workforce in Los Angeles and there is a definite need of organizing the Mexican-Americans in the needle trade.

It was pointed out by a delegate that there are at least 10,000,000 Mexican-Americans in the U.S. and because of this the Party should give full consideration for Spanish-speaking leadership. He further pointed out that there is no need to approach the Spanish-speaking people unless you can speak Spanish.

[redacted] of California recommended that a Mexican-American have a responsible post in the state organization of California.

[redacted] of Texas stated that the AFL is training 18 Mexican-Americans for organizing the unorganized workers in southwest Texas.

It was moved, seconded and passed that a coordinating council be set up for the five Southwest states to coordinate problems of Mexican-Americans in that area.

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A motion was made to make a protest to Washington and demand that BOB THOMPSON's ashes be buried in the National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

It was announced that WILLIAM PATTERSON was sick and would not be able to attend the remaining sessions of the Convention.

Report from the Committee on  
Press and Public Relations

It was pointed out that 30 persons from the press were available for news conferences and releases in connection with the Convention and that among these were:

16 daily newspapers  
Associated Negro Press  
News Week  
Catholic Press  
UPI  
AP  
Representatives from Radio Free Europe  
Correspondents from foreign countries.

It was announced that there will be caucuses of the various delegations and that around 7:30 PM there will be a buffet-supper followed by reports and talks from our foreign and international guests, this in turn to be followed by a cultural program. A dance ending at 2:00 AM will take up the remainder of the evening.



Caucus of Illinois Delegation in  
Connection with Election of National  
Committee Members

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT stated that there are 33 nominees on the list for NC members prepared by the Presidium and Party leaders. LIGHTFOOT stated that it was their opinion that the Convention elect 70 members and he wanted to point out what they thought should be the consistency of the NC. He stated that these members should be industrial workers, women, Negro women and youth.

LIGHTFOOT stated that the names proposed from Illinois are the following:

[redacted] - an industrial worker  
[redacted] - a Negro woman  
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT  
JACK KLING  
LOU DISKIN

[redacted]

These individuals were discussed and a question was asked as to who this individual [redacted] is. LIGHTFOOT only described this individual as someone from industry.

One of the delegates then nominated [redacted]; however, [redacted] declined. The name of [redacted] was then brought up; however, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT pointed out that she

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would not be any good since she once was a member of the NC and hardly attended any meetings. (It is noted that [redacted] had been elected as an Illinois delegate, but was not in attendance at the Convention and no reason stated.) The group agreed that [redacted] an alternate, vote in place of [redacted]

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The group decided that [redacted] the female Puerto Rican from New York, should have her name submitted to the list of nominees.

Sessions for Sunday Morning,  
June 26, 1966, 9:30 AM

It is believed that GEORGE MEYERS of Baltimore chaired this session.

At this time [redacted] a charter member from Chicago, was introduced. [redacted] spoke of peace activities in the Party and the forming of the CP. He pointed out that he has hopes in the future for the CP.

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Report from the Constitution  
Amendment Committee

This report was made by TOMMY DENNIS of Detroit.

DENNIS reported of changes in Article V of the National Constitution, Sections 5, 6, 8 and 9. One of

the particular changes was in connection with Section 9 which pointed out that in order to be eligible for election as a National Officer or member of the National Committee the member shall have been in good standing for at least 2½ years preceding the election. This change was particularly brought up for the fact that there were a number of youth present at the Convention and it was the Convention's opinion that more youth should be elected to the National Committee.

Recommendations made by the Constitutional Committee were accepted.

Report from the Credentials Committee

It was reported that 213 delegates and 42 alternates had registered. There was no figure given for the number of observers; however, it is known that 32 observers were present from Illinois.

At this time GUS HALL addressed the Convention in connection with electing the National leadership for the CP, USA. HALL stated that in electing a National leadership we must take a national viewpoint and not a sectional viewpoint. He further stated that it was noted that the presiding committee had made some recommendations and it was their feeling that each member of the National Committee must have some of the following qualities:

1. Some experience in a Party Club and be able to add their personal contributions to the leadership.

2. The National leadership must close the age gap-the new must mingle with the old.

3. Class composition

4. Question of Negro comrades.

5. Question of women and Negro women

6. Mass work which has reflected in the growth of new ideas.

7. The ideological and cultural fields, nationality groups and more open operation of the Party.

HALL stated that the NC needs to expand and that he does not actually know how many individuals have been listed as nominees. He stated that he knows many of the nominees, but not their political character. HALL, therefore, recommended that the NC elect a membership of 30 people.

It was pointed out that among those recommended there were 49 workers, 20 Negroes, including 4 Negro women, 22 youth, 3 Mexican-Americans, 2 Puerto Ricans, and one farmer. From the West Coast there were recommended 17; Rocky Mountain section 2; New York 19; Midwest 22; New England 9; South 6; as well as representatives from the National Party Office.

At this point HELEN WINTER named a Chairman for the Balloting Committee and each delegation was allowed to name one member to this Committee. JACK KLING of Illinois appointed  to this Committee, it being noted that the Balloting Committee was composed of ten people.

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It was further announced that the delegates are to vote for at least 60 members, but not more than 80 and that if there is a tie vote, both people will be made members of the NC and in turn we then will have 82 people on the NC.

~~At this time recommendations for nominees were~~  
accepted by GUS HALL. The ballots were then brought up from the press room, counted and separated according to delegations and then issued to the delegations. It was noted that, for example, the New York delegation received 42 ballots; Northern California 22; Illinois 14; and New England 9.

At this point the floor was then opened for nominations and four youth were nominated. It was then brought out that some of these youth were not eligible because of not holding membership for the preceding 2½ years. HELEN WINTER then stated that the Presidium has agreed to suspend this session of the Constitution for this Convention only.

During the nominations from the floor it was noted that a New England delegate was nominated as well as [redacted] [redacted] who now is the manager of the Modern Book Store in Chicago and [redacted]. It is noted that originally 87 names appeared on the ballot; however, one name was cancelled and four youth were added as a result of the nominations from the floor, thus making a total of 90 names on the ballot.

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Nominations were closed and the voting took place. It is further noted that prior to the time of the voting instructions were given to the delegates that no one was to write down any names or leave the hall, this being done in order to maintain security for the oncoming NC.

Before the ballots were collected, a report was made by IRVING POTASH from the Appeals Committee regarding the case of WILLIAM ALBERTSON who has been suspended from the Party. After due consideration and discussion, ALBERTSON's suspension remains in effect. Continued investigation will take place and a final decision rendered by the end of the year.

At this point the Balloting Committee retired to count the ballots. At about 5:15 pm the Balloting Committee was able to announce the winners. Some of the candidates believed to be winners were:

GUS HALL  
JIM JACKSON  
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT  
HENRY WINSTON  
LOU DISKIN  
JACK KLING  
CARL WINTER  
HELEN WINTER  
TOMMY DENNIS  
HY LUMER  
HERBERT ADTNER

[REDACTED]

JAKE GREEN  
GEORGE MENYERS

[REDACTED]

A Fern, La., Minnesota  
DOROTHY HEALST  
HICKEY LINA

[REDACTED]

ARNOLD JOHNSON  
GIL GREEN

[REDACTED]

of Massachusetts

JOE NORTH

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of California, a Mexican-American  
[REDACTED] - A White Woman From Illinois In  
Industry

[REDACTED]

WILLIAM PATTERSON  
BETTY GANNETT

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It is believed that [redacted] IRVING of New York and [redacted] of Illinois, as well as six of the youth, were not elected. It is further noted that [redacted] [redacted] only received 130 votes.

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It is noted that 201 ballots were cast and those individuals receiving less than possibly 139 votes were not elected. There were no ties whereupon 80 NC members were elected.

Those elected from Illinois are believed to have been:

- [redacted]
- CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
- JACK KLING
- LOU DISKIN
- [redacted]

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It is noted that GUS HALL, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, DOROTHY HEALEY, JIM JACKSON, [redacted] HENRY WINSTON, TOMMY DENNIS, GEORGE MEYERS and [redacted] of California ran high in the voting, leading the group. It was further noted that JACK KLING, LOU DISKIN and JAKE GREEN ran in the vicinity of 147 to 148 votes, while it was noted that [redacted] [redacted] received 144 votes. It was further noted that [redacted] [redacted] ran low, receiving possibly just enough votes to have been elected.

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It is noted that the ballot did not carry the name of [redacted] of Illinois even though she was nominated by the Illinois delegation and it was not learned as to why her name was dropped from the ballot.

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Individuals Recalled To Be In Attendance Daily At the Convention

Illinois

[redacted]

LOU DISKIN

[redacted]

JACK KLING

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT,

[redacted]

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(The above were delegates and alternates from Illinois)

[redacted]

a friend of [redacted] who attended as an observer.

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[redacted] as well as [redacted]

[redacted]

New York

BETTY GANNETT  
GUS HALL  
HENRY WINSTON  
IRVING POTASH  
JIM JACKSON

WILLIAM PATTERSON - who attended the first two days, but left because of illness

[REDACTED]

JOE NORTH  
CARL WINTER  
HELEN WINTER  
CYL GREEN

[REDACTED]

HY LUMER  
Doctor HERB APTHEKER

[REDACTED]

WILLIAM WINSTONE  
VICTOR PERLO  
PHIL BART

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Florida

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California

[REDACTED]

MICKEY LIMA

[REDACTED]

DOROTHY HEALEY

[REDACTED]

AL RICHMOND

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Detroit

[REDACTED]

TOMMY DENNIS

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### Additional Comments

It is noted that kits were given to the delegates and alternates which kits consisted of a ballpoint pen, scratch pad, Pre-Convention Draft Resolutions, status of National Fund and other special material of the 18th CP Convention.

During the Convention it was learned from AGNES WILLIS that LOLA BELLE HOLMES is now working for the John Birch Society.

Admittance to the Convention after Wednesday evening was by identification only. This identification consisted of a card of about 3x5 size, a blue card representing a delegate, a pink card representing an alternate and a white card representing an observer. After Wednesday evening no individual was admitted to the Convention Hall without exhibiting his identification card and it was further noted that on different occasions, even while in the Hall, delegates, alternates and observers were asked to exhibit their cards.

It was further learned during conversation with IRVING POTASH that the Trade Union Commission and Industrial Commission will again be re-established.

### Personal Observations and Impressions

As a "first-timer" to the Convention, the convention obviously was quite an experience. The writer was impressed by the orderly progress of the Convention and particularly of the security afforded the delegates.

The writer further was impressed by the number of young people present as well as by their participation in the various panels and discussions. Apparently this fact led the leadership to recognize the contribution and overall interest by the youth to give special compensation in certain sections of the Constitution in order to permit a number of these young people to be elected to the NC.

Indications were that the Convention group as a whole was pretty well fed up with the old leadership, type of organization, and growth of the Party. It appears that the younger element is determined to change this condition in order to improve the method of organization and bring the CP out into the open as evidenced by the NC election. The youth seem to be tired of this "holding" type organization and are ready to break out of isolation in order to push the Party program.

The writer was amazed at the lack of Negro representation in the delegations since it was prevalent that the dominating group present were of the Jewish element.

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(1 - 100- ) ([REDACTED])  
(1 - 100-3470) (MORRIS CHILDS)  
(1 - 100-3293) ([REDACTED])  
(1 - 100-18601) ([REDACTED])  
(1 - 100-41442) ([REDACTED])  
(1 - 100-13967) ([REDACTED])  
(1 - 100-20528) ([REDACTED])  
(1 - 105-16537) ([REDACTED])  
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(1 - 100-32864) (Counterintelligence Program)  
(1 - 100-18954) (Legislative Activities)  
(1 - 100-36873) (CP Interest in Puerto Rican Independence)  
(1 - 100-18960) (United Nations)  
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Believed to be [redacted]  
[redacted] of Portland Division  
Believed to be [redacted]  
[redacted] of Detroit  
Division

[redacted] of Michigan

[redacted] a Puerto Rican female of New York

Believed to be [redacted]  
of New York Division

NORRIS or MORRIS, a Negro woman.

Believed to be a fictitious name for MORRIS CHILDS of Chicago Division

[redacted] of New York

Believed to be [redacted]  
of New York Division

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Believed to be [redacted]  
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Remarks: (AIRMAIL) RM  
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 ( GUS HALL)  
 ( HENRY WINSTON)  
 ( MORTIMORE RUBIN)  
 ( JOSEPH BRANDT)  
 ( HERBERT APTHEKER)

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3- WFO (CHARLES GIFT) RM  
 (WM. JOHNSON) (100-2686)  
 1- CHICAGO (CHARLES LIGHTFOOT) RM

1- LA (DOROTHY HEALEY) RM

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 100-12464 ORGANIZATION  
 100-12076 GEORGE MEYERS  
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The 18<sup>th</sup> National Convention of C.P.U.S.A. was held in Webster Hall 11<sup>th</sup> St N.Y. City from June 22-26 1966. There were delegates from 34 States according to the report of the Credentials Committee. Known among these was delegates from Baltimore Md Washington D.C. and members of National Leadership. The Baltimore Md delegation was Lee Meyers, [redacted] joined by [redacted] on June 24 1966 [redacted] and [redacted] on June 25, 1966, Washington D.C. delegates Charles Hill, [redacted] Jim Jackson and a white fellow called [redacted]. Known National leader was Gus Hall! [redacted] b6 b7C  
 Claude Lightfoot Henry Winston Dorothy Healy [redacted] Joe Branch and Herbert Aptheker [redacted] a few came in on June 25 1966 but as was [redacted] a guess when [redacted] arrived like [redacted] was waiting for him and taken him directly to the convention floor after he saw that that he was registered. They were just about ready to break for lunch. The resolution being discussed at that time was from the Political Action panel. When they left for lunch [redacted] asked [redacted] about housing. [redacted] said I don't have a place yet. [redacted] said they put me away over in Brooklyn in a dirty place that I had to stay in. I have to get a better place for [redacted] [redacted] let go in and see if they have anything better for now. The book in charge of housing was supposed to be [redacted] [redacted] told her he wanted some place clean and decent that he had a very bad cold. She made a phone call and got a room in the Chelsea Hotel on 23<sup>rd</sup> St. [redacted] went to the hotel and returned about 3 P.M. [redacted] was waiting again and [redacted] gave account of what he had been doing and where he got his room. [redacted] said I did not see you I am there in room 217. [redacted] said I have room 231. They went on to the convention floor. They had missed the report on panel Draft Program and Report from peace and Women. There was a short report Party Organization and Press. They broke for dinner and back by 7 P.M. I find the white fellow from Washington D.C. found a place to eat where the cost of a meal ran him \$4.50 up. Charles Hill [redacted] [redacted] went with [redacted] as he asked. They all return at 7:45 P.M.



When they return they had not started as of yet the youth  
had a sing fest going but it was soon call off and on the system  
was foreign representation of Communist Party to speak.  
Luis Hall introduced the first as a school teacher and a member  
of Parliament from Canada. He spoke for about 45 mins of  
the other communist in Canada and praising Luis Hall and  
how he was received when he was there following him was a  
the head of the Puerto Rican Communist Party who could not  
speak English and had to have an interpreter who he  
had all through the Convention. This fellow was from  
Texas he told of how his party had to struggle but would  
grow and mostly speak from the resolution they presented.  
After him a youth from Cuba was introduced with loud  
and long applause. He praised Castro and against what he  
said. His companion last was a former Maoist from  
Cyprus introduced by Henry Winston who had attend a  
Communist Convention there Henry praise her for the way  
they received him and how well they treated her during her  
stay there. At this point when she came up with every  
a standing ovation a bunch of roses was given to  
each speaker. She spoke in very broken English at the  
end saying Viva Cuba Viva Puerto Rico Viva  
Cyprus. After she spoke for 40 minutes more applause  
standing an announcement was made that a host names  
would follow Jack and Lee left for their hotel.  
On Sat Morning opened with the Party Organization  
and Press panel report which they had on Fri before  
dinner. Claude Lightfoot gave the opening remarks he  
stated in his remarks that no Civil Rights group has the  
Negro in his vest pockets. The party must organize for  
and up grade Negroes in the party must organize for  
organizing the unorganized Communist who in C.I.O. that  
brought the non production workers into the Union  
Let [ ] out in Chicago and [ ] out in N.Y.  
who is against all these struggle for higher quality for  
Negroes as contracts. We must create an image of being  
in the party. Later dinner and all Organizations. On  
discussion. A youth from Chicago call [ ] in his  
statement since Movement in the Party and all organizing  
active can be seen

The tone of Lightfoot speech does give us the way to  
move and work. A delegate from Ohio stands in his committee  
and we are still fighting for legality of the party. Let's come out  
more on the open. We are in a struggle fighting police brutality  
Also states what does the white Comrade do in labor union  
to advance the Negro white unity. [redacted] said in his  
discussion that Party Club should be built in the shops. b6  
Then a delegate from Washington State [redacted] b7C  
from Calif. [redacted] N.Y. said to locate the struggle  
in the party and its needs is to have white comrades and Negroes  
to work for it. She said when she saw the question of integration  
in the school in N.Y. Many white Comrades said what about  
my children. Then another delegate from Michigan spoke  
followed by a delegate from Vermont. The Convention delegates  
seem to take on a tone of fight. National Leadership and  
delegates seem to be taking punch at them. There already was  
some concert among the Women and Youth against them  
that had started on there for what was heard around. Some  
of the speakers that came up made announcement that they had  
completed their pledge to the Press other had being regular  
contact with the only very small balance which program was  
made to send in as soon as they returned back to their states.  
The break for lunch [redacted] Charlie Hill were waiting  
[redacted] we are so to that you do get away. But  
the white fellows [redacted] was not seen. At the Postroom on 3rd Ave  
they met a little Jewish Man that [redacted] knew. He was heard  
to say he or his wife saw the party book store in Mass and  
the man that shot up another store just a few above few has  
been really after his store but got his numbers mixed up. b6  
[redacted] had a special meeting call and so had to bring his b7C  
speech. Here he came in contact with two N.Y. members  
Only one he knew by name [redacted] the other a man  
who said he lived in Brooklyn both were delegates to the  
Convention. When they all return to the Convention floor  
there was little more to be seen. Each time you  
went in and out every door including back room you saw  
your delegates Oard. After lunch was over the youth taken  
the floor for discussion. Lee was heard to ask John if they  
were reporting the rebels. John said a number of announcements  
had been up on the youth's questions some of them older b6  
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They the committee had recommended 80. The election to be discharge only by districts. She had a list that she asked to be exempted until another list came out. (passed) [redacted] for Washington D.C. had printed a resolution on some rule and thought for people in Washington to vote in his resolution he asked that all delegate write to their representative ask them to push for legislation on it. He call for a caucus at the talk with the resolution Committee. They explain that it had been misprinted and was sent back but they would get in done over right as he had written it. There was not much more action as the only thing that seem to interest the delegates was the election on Sun. Some said they would not be there so soon they had to leave early in the morning. [redacted] he was going that night but change his mind and got a room in the Chelsea Hotel. On Sunday as the delegates began to arrive there was great tension on my side. The guests and attract were turned from the main committee floor except those alternate that were taking the place of delegates. But one significant thing Bob Lee who was only a guest was at the talk with the elected delegates. He did not vote but sat watch other including [redacted]. Before the ballots were ready the Chairman of the election committee said you have to vote for 60. If you for 60 your ballot is valid. If you go over 60 go to 82. If more than 82 your ballot is valid. The next question as if you mark the wrong name what. He said blank out the name and no, and vote for who you wanted that no duplicate ballots would be pass out. Also no one was to leave the floor for anything if we talk long they lunch it will be served to you at your table. The Chairman of each district will have up and get enough ballots for them in his delegation and return them after they are marked. They can be marked with a check or an X. While writing for the ballot to be on off the Division and assessment Committee make their report. The Chairman said. We have gone over the paid structure of dues and assessment and this is what we came up with. There will be no more House vote dues no more unemployed dues.

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Council don't and want step down and the speech about the  
 women was made. I was also heard to talk [redacted] think  
 it might be a big fight tomorrow but when the election  
 starts. They are saying the Hall is leaning to high. Among  
 the many youth was a delegate called [redacted] from Ohio one of  
 his statements was the propaganda of the FBI that the  
 Party is un-democratic in the youth question. This caused  
 a lot of discussion and the youth was again cut off.  
 Then the women resolution came in again. They demanded  
 a Women Commission to organize with in three months  
 after the convention was over. A woman delegate asked  
 the question why there were not more Negro women in the  
 party. One old lady said it seems the man a peeping  
 wife to the form and that's what you are a house wife.  
 Then she asked a question I wonder if they would like to be married  
 to a house. We want our right to day she concluded. The  
 Political Action amendment came up. In the discussion  
 statement was made that got stand approval [redacted] b6  
 third party when by in can run our own candidate b7C  
 Victor Perle read at the end of his talk to run Negro  
 candidates from labor union or a coalition ticket. Also  
 why the Pres was staying so close to the white house during  
 a congressional election. Why? Because of the candidates  
 that are independent of their thinking on peace.  
 I'll delegate in his discussion call for a test case to put  
 a party candidate on in 38 states. Another question came up  
 on how do we get women in politics and the struggle for  
 peace. The answer came from a woman delegate in her talk  
 she stated she wants less than 10 working women the  
 for a trade union negro woman from five [redacted] a b6  
 woman on the editorial staff of the paper and she was b7C  
 going to fight the male supremacy all the way. This  
 brought all women to their feet applauding. There were more  
 discussion on a few other resolutions and they were told  
 that there was going to be a Cold buffet. Supper  
 was to be served at 7 o'clock followed by a dance until  
 2 A.M. After the buffet was over the committee on election  
 sub came out. A Women Chairman read off what she said  
 was tentative. A National staff of 70 had been prepared

[redacted] will be paid according to income. We have 6  
 recommendations, 1st up to \$30<sup>00</sup> a week, 25 a month 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 up to \$60<sup>00</sup> a week, 50 a month 3 up to 90<sup>00</sup> a week \$1.00 month  
 4 up to \$120<sup>00</sup> a week \$9<sup>00</sup> month 5, up to \$150<sup>00</sup> a week \$14.00 a  
 month all over \$6<sup>00</sup> a month. A 50 subsidiary assessment  
 each month. Each member must make a payment commitment  
 monthly. All money must be paid during that month even  
 earned over in the next. We did speak of books with straps  
 that will be discuss later. This was put to vote and passed.  
 All voting was done by holding up delegate cards. The  
 ballots was brought in by the Mayor and the balloting  
 for the Ballman Washington DC and a speech from  
 Jim who had come and sat at the table [redacted] had  
 wrote some election stuff on paper [redacted] took it  
 and did his part and so it was of that change election  
 All ballot was marked [redacted] just about first when [redacted]  
 call for him to sit he right here. There had been five men  
 from a date to the ballots which each delegate wrote  
 first name as call. They made a total of 909 one on the  
 ballots with what [redacted] told [redacted] to mark his ballot  
 must put [redacted] been good because there was about 89  
 marks on it. The Mayor and [redacted] collected soap as  
 soon as they were finish and transfer in with checking  
 away. After all ballot were in the resolution committee  
 brought on the final resolution to be voted on. There was  
 fast reading and recommended to be passed. Voting was  
 fast on each one. While this was done sandwich and  
 punch was served. The Committee were thanked  
 and applause for good work. The delegate became restless  
 and the hostess was grouchy and some one suggested they  
 sing and did. Finally the guest and other were let in  
 and then only announcement who had won was Gus Hall  
 and Henry Brandon as National Sec the first Negro ever  
 elected to that position.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: 7/8/66

TO : SAC, BUFFALO (100-4379-69)

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEW YORK DISTRICT  
BUFFALO DIVISION  
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2 - Albany (Info) (RM)

(1 - 100- , CP DISTRICT #2 ORGANIZATION)  
(1 - 100- , UNSUB; White Male, 6', 180 lbs., Balding, Late 50s)

(58) - New York (Info) (RM)

(1 - 100-128814, CP DISTRICT #2 ORGANIZATION)  
(1 - 100- , [redacted])  
(1 - 100- , WILLIAM PATTERSON)  
(1 - 100- , JIM TORMEY)  
(1 - 100- , HENRY WINSTON)  
(1 - 100- , GIL GREEN)  
(1 - 100- , HERBERT APTHEKER)  
(1 - 100-128812, POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)  
(1 - 100-128819, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)  
(1 - 100-128813, PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS)  
(1 - 100- , VIDEM)  
(1 - 100-128817, MEMBERSHIP)  
(1 - 100-128314, FUNDS)  
(1 - 100- , "THE WORKER")  
(1 - 100-128816, NATIONAL GROUP COMMISSIONS)  
(1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka Ida, Negro Female from Brooklyn)  
(1 - 100- , [redacted] (PH)  
(1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted] from Brooklyn)  
(1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted] from Brooklyn, Spanish Male)  
(1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted])  
(1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted] from Westchester)  
(1 - 100- , [redacted])  
(1 - 100- , [redacted])  
(1 - 100- , SI GERSON)  
(1 - 100-128823, DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES)  
(1 - 100- , CIRM) 100-15154P\*  
(1 - 100-128804, YOUTH MATTERS)

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10. - Buffalo

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(1 - 100-14567, [redacted] (C)

(1 - 100-2080, [redacted] (P - [redacted])

(1 - 100-11900, [redacted] (P - [redacted])

(1 - 100-15, [redacted] (P\* - [redacted])

(1 - 100-4379-72, POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (C)

(1 - 100-18520, CIRM) (P - GLENNON)

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[redacted] furnished the following:

"Buffalo, New York  
June 14, 1966

"On Friday, June 10, 1966, the Buffalo delegation bound for the New York Communist Party Convention consisted of [redacted]

[redacted] who wants to be called [redacted]. They traveled in the [redacted] car. En route, they stopped in Rochester to pick up [redacted]. After arriving in New York City at about 5:00 p.m. they went to the Central Plaza Hotel, Second Avenue, Manhattan. The Convention was held in the Normandy Room on the second floor of the Hotel. [redacted] signed them up as delegates. The delegates received pink cards and the alternates received blue cards. [redacted] along with [redacted] were delegates, and [redacted] an alternate, from the Erie County Communist Party. [redacted] was a delegate from the Monroe County Communist Party.

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"The Convention was opened by Jim Tormey, the New York District Communist Party Labor Secretary. He regretted the absence of District Chairman William Patterson who, because of doctor's orders, could not be there. He also made a similar reference to Henry Winston. Tormey introduced the keynote speaker, Gil Green, the New York District Organizer.

"Green paid his respects to all the comrades who died in the recent past, including Ben Davis and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn. According to Green, the Party is beginning this Convention and the 18th National Convention full of high hopes. The Party is in as

"advantageous a position as it has ever been. Of special importance is the fact that the Party has endorsed Herbert Aptheker as a candidate for the 12th Congressional District. It has been a long time since the Party has had a peace candidate.

"The masses want their sons to return home from the Viet Nam war. Since the 17th National Convention, the Party has gone through many crises and, due to the McCarran Act, lost part of its membership; but it has survived to see the defeat of the McCarran Act. The Party has advanced in the various civil rights movements and in trade unions, all of which proves that the line of the Party is correct. A comrade in California, Dorothy Healey, polled 87,000 votes, which tends to show the correctness of the Party line.

"With regard to the Draft Program, many clubs have not seen to it that members have read and discussed it. The Draft Program has had a wide distribution and has even been furnished to non-Party people. It can be influential in spreading the Party line into the community. It can convince people that United States participation in Viet Nam is a rich man's war and that the poor are dying. Opposition to the Viet Nam war is spreading, even into elements of the Catholic Church.

"Martin Luther King has been working against the slum lords in Chicago. He has asked for 11 billion dollars to help the Negro people, but he can't get it because of the Viet Nam war. United States Senator Robert Kennedy is against the Viet Nam war and has taken a position for peace. President Johnson is against peace. Everybody except his administration is against the Viet Nam war and wants to bring the boys home. Party clubs in the shops and in the communities are fighting for peace. If we work harder, we can stop this murder.

"The FBI has stood by in the South while murders against Negro people were committed. The Party has hopes for the New Left. The Party has recruited people from the New Left. In a spirit of cooperation, the New Left and the old Party people are working together. The Party Program has been given to all, even

"non-Party people. It can be influential in many ways; for example, in the PTA. Although the PTA often involves parents who have younger children, yet in a few years these children will be approaching draft age and the parents will be very much concerned about their welfare. Get the Draft Program into the PTA. Many civil rights groups are against the Administration's war in Viet Nam, but one of them, the NAACP, is supporting the Administration.

"Each year 'The Worker' must raise \$50,000. Since the Draft Program started, non-Party people have been making big contributions, and former Party people have returned to the fold. Gil Green wants all comrades to learn Spanish so that they can work with the Puerto Ricans who are ripe for recruitment. Many Catholic Churches are coming out for peace against the Viet Nam war. Some priests are even holding classes about the Draft Program. Much money must be raised for Herbert Aptheker's campaign. Money should be sent in from outside the New York City area in support of Aptheker. At the conclusion of Gil Green's report, the first evening's session ended.

"On Saturday morning, June 11, 1966, the Convention reconvened at the same hotel. Seated at the same table were Marty Zelman, John and Ivory McKenzie, John Touralchuk, and Gert Kowal. There were also some people there from Westchester County. There was a man there from Albany who fit this description: White, 6', 180 pounds, mixed brown hair, balding, late 50's, has daughter 24 years old and married son 23.

"The session began with a discussion regarding Gil Green's report. Each person was permitted to speak five minutes. The people present proceeded to tell what was happening in their community, how Party methods of work could be improved, what they hoped the Party would accomplish, etc.

[redacted] a Negro woman from Brooklyn, spoke about working on low rent housing, raising money, the struggle in Brooklyn, trying to get better working conditions, about her support of [redacted] (phonetic), a Negro candidate

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"in Brooklyn, who is a peace candidate and is being supported by the Party.

[redacted] (phonetic) spoke about the fight for peace, fight for homes, about how Lyndon B. Johnson is watching his popularity and the peace polls. [redacted] (phonetic) told about how he is helping to build a pressure movement against the Viet Nam war.

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[redacted] from Brooklyn told about how the civil rights movement has become militant. He urged that people participating in the civil rights demonstrations should be neat and properly dressed. They should not engage in fighting. They should stay in line and let the signs they carry speak for themselves. He told about how President Johnson could stop the war in Viet Nam if he wanted to.

"A reference was made to the number of persons attending this Convention. It was broken down into 127 women, 110 men, and a total of 52 visitors.

"Next a Spanish man named [redacted] from Brooklyn, gave a history of 'The Worker.'

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"[redacted] from Buffalo, was critical of the State for not giving enough consideration to Buffalo. He said that the State has a great opportunity to work in this industrial area.

[redacted] from Buffalo, stressed the need for studying the Draft Program. He said if it is followed, in ten years they should have a Herbert Aptheker or a Gil Green going to Congress or even to the White House.

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"[redacted] spoke about the injustices of the draft, about how it favors those receiving higher education. He said they should try to persuade doctors, lawyers, and other people high in the community to come to club meetings to learn about the Draft Program.

"A man from Westchester County said that the old comrades should transfer their experience to younger Party people.

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[redacted] from Westchester, hoped that they would keep Bob Thompson's peace drive going. It is noted that [redacted] was at this session of the Convention.

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[redacted] from Brooklyn, talked about labor and trade unions.

"After lunch, the delegates broke up into panels for the purpose of discussing various aspects of Party work. The panel on Political Action and Electoral Work was chaired by Sy Gerson, of the New York District Communist Party Committee. Gerson delivered a report which was critical of the administration of President Johnson. He said that imperialism was trying to force itself upon the nation. He stressed that the progressive forces should urge candidates to endorse peace and no support should be given a candidate who does not follow the paths of peace. Senator Robert Kennedy has made some positive statements about peace which the Party must consider. This is of special interest because in the not-too-distant future Robert Kennedy will be running for the office of President of the United States.

"In the discussion which followed, people spoke about what they had been doing in their areas regarding peace. Some claimed that they were doing a great deal and some admitted that they have had bad experiences. Sy Gerson summed it up by saying that the Party will be successful in electing Herbert Aptheker to a Congressional seat in the 12th District and that by 1968 the Party will have made great gains.

"[redacted] from Buffalo went to the Youth panel and [redacted], from Buffalo, went to the Trade Union panel.

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"After supper that evening they returned to the Normandy Room. They had formed a Ballot Committee, and they started to prepare ballots for the delegates.

"The next speaker at the Convention was a Negro male named [redacted] who is [redacted]

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[redacted] He spoke in praise of Bob Thompson and he also praised William Patterson, who is ill. He commented that by reading Party books the Negro has been able to get hamburgers in restaurants, has been able to use public bathrooms, and has been able to get Lyndon B. Johnson to sing 'We Shall Overcome.' If the job is done right, President Johnson will be singing Party songs. We owe a great deal to the Communist books. We have learned from them that if the capitalists are against Negroes and against Communists, the Communists must be all right; and these two groups would do well to embrace each other.

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"Next they held County and area caucuses for making nominations to the State Committee, as well as for choosing delegates and alternates to the National Convention. In talking to the delegates, [redacted] from Buffalo talked with [redacted] the New York District Communist Party Organizational [redacted]. [redacted] said it was okay if Buffalo sent as many people to the National Convention as it could. In the caucusing, it was agreed that [redacted] from Buffalo would go to the National Convention as a delegate, [redacted] as an alternate, and [redacted] as a visitor.

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"Gil Green introduced the Party peace candidate, Herbert Aptheker, who delivered a speech. In a clever fashion, Aptheker quoted Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and W.E.B. DuBois. In quoting Lincoln, he produced something that Abraham Lincoln said as a young senator directed against United States fighting in the Mexican war. He applied this to the United States fighting in the Viet Nam war. He gave a recent quotation from President Johnson for the purpose of demonstrating how the President lied about building his Great Society and instead, is pouring money into his Viet Nam war. Aptheker described a number of incidents in his life, especially during World War II, which remained with him. In telling one story, he referred to having been in East Germany at the end of World War II. He told about an East German Communist who produced a leaflet which was directed against those Germans who 'flew in the breeze.' By this he meant those people who were supposed to be Communists, but who didn't stand up

"against Hitler. Instead, they took the easy course and moved along with the tide. It is noted that the proceedings at all of the meetings were put on tape.

"On Sunday morning the Convention reconvened in the Main Ballroom of the same hotel. It was opened by [redacted], who introduced [redacted] the New York District Communist Party Organizational [redacted]. [redacted] gave the rules about voting. He then gave a report from the Credentials Committee. He remarked that there were 137 delegates at this session, 70 alternates and 118 visitors. There were 143 women and 118 men. The ages ran like this:

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"Students	14 persons
26 - 35	11 persons
36 - 50	46 persons
51 - 60	91 persons

[redacted] reported that the people in attendance had the following years in the Party:

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"2 - 5 years	23 persons
6 - 10 years	16 persons
11 - 15 years	3 persons
16 - 25 years	33 persons
Over 25 years	116 persons

"There were 22 chartered members.

"With regard to the elections to be held at this Convention, [redacted] said that 42 delegates will be chosen to attend the National Convention, and 64 will be elected to the New York District Communist Party Committee. He said that a name may be added to the back of the ballot. It is possible to have 70 names on each ballot, but if the ballot contains 71 or more names, it is void. It is anticipated that 400 to 500 persons will be present at the National Convention.

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"From a review of photographs, it was ascertained that in addition to the persons mentioned previously in this report, the following were also in attendance at the New York District Communist Party Convention:

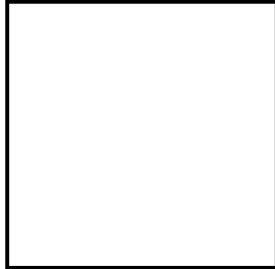
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Buffalo file.

July 5, 1963

During the latter part of June, 1963, JAMES JACKSON, a member of the National Board, Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) and the former Editor of "The Worker," was heard to comment confidentially that in his opinion the [redacted] of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), [redacted] is a "racketeer who wears \$200 suits while in New York but wears blue jeans for his Southern demonstrations and talks black power down South." According to JACKSON, [redacted] [redacted] is [redacted] the same individual who during the 1930's laid out the CP program on the Negro question which set forth the idea of the black belt.

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While making his comments regarding [redacted] inquiry was made as to how this individual is now existing since his rich wife divorced him. JACKSON remarked that all he has to live on now is a disability pension from World War I.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are three copies of an informant's statement dated July 5, 1966, containing information orally furnished on July 5, 1966, by CG 5824-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, to SAs WALTER A. BOYLE and RICHARD W. HANSEN. This information was reduced to writing on July 8, 1966, and the original report is maintained in CGfile A)134-46-9785.

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On July 7, 1966, a confidential source advised that on July 6, 1966, HARRY WACHTEL furnished to Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), two checks each dated July 5, 1966, one in the amount of \$2,000 and the other in the amount of \$3,000. Both checks were made payable to "Voter Education Fund" and were drawn upon the account of the American Foundation on Non-Violence (AFN), care of HARRY M. WACHTEL, 575 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, maintained with the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, 100 Park Avenue (41st Street) New York, New York.

Source observed the \$2,000 check reflected a notation indicating it pertained to SCLC activities in Georgia and a notation on the \$3,000 check reflected it pertained to SCLC activity in Mississippi.

Source advised Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC, on July 7, 1966 instructed the SCLC Finance Office to deposit both of the aforementioned checks in SCLC's "Crusade for Citizenship Account" maintained with the Citizens Trust Company in Atlanta, which account is utilized by SCLC in connection with money realized from AFN.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)  
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670)  
RE: CIRM

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Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted]

Sources utilized to characterize WACHTEL is NY 1190-S\* and Anonymous Source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50 at WFO re "NLG; IS-C."

Source made available a Xerox copy of each of the two checks referred to in the enclosed LHM. The check in amount of \$3,000 reflected it was check number 015 and the \$2,000 check reflected it was check number 016. Both checks, as indicated in the enclosed LHM, were drawn on the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, and both reflected the account number as 0210-0012-019-024177. The signature appearing on each check is essentially illegible but could be interpreted as HARRY M. WACHTEL.

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- 3 - New York (Enc. 3) (RM)  
(1 - 100-148289) (HARRY WACHTEL)
- 4 - Atlanta (1 - 100-6670)  
(1 - [redacted])  
(1 - 100-5718) (SCLC)  
(1 - 100-5586) (M. L. KING, JR.)

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A confidential source advised on July 2, 1966 HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director of Voter Registration, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) discussed matters of a general nature concerning SCLC with [redacted]. WILLIAMS mentioned that HARRY WACHTEL served in the capacity of a personal "advisor" to Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, SCLC; more than he did to SCLC organizationally. Source advised WILLIAMS did not elaborate further on this matter.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

RE: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Bureau file 100-106670

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Atlanta file 100-6670  
Bureau file 100-442529

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Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted]

Sources utilized to characterize WACHTEL are NY 1190-S\* and Anonymous Source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50 at WFO re "NLG; IS-C."

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(1 - 100-442529)
- 3 - New York (Enc. 3) (RM)  
(1 - 100-148289) (HARRY WACHTEL)
- 5 - Atlanta (1 - 100-5586)  
(1 - 100-6670)  
(1 - [redacted])  
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On July 7, 1966, a confidential source advised Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), presented SCLC with a check in the amount of \$100,000. This check, bearing number 127455 dated June 27, 1966, Stockholm, Sweden, was written by the Svenska Handelsbanken in favor of "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr." and drawn upon its account at the Chase Manhattan Bank, 1 Chase Manhattan Plaza, New York 15.

The aforementioned \$100,000 check represented money raised in Sweden resulting from a tour in that country made by Reverend KING during the spring of 1966. Arrangements for this tour were handled by [redacted].

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[redacted] recently informed SCLC his expenses for arranging Reverend KING's tour amounted to \$21,000.

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Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted]

Source utilized to characterize [redacted] is NY 694-S\*.

The signature of the individual signing the check referred to in the enclosed LHM as the maker thereof is illegible.

[redacted] Dissemination of information furnished by [redacted] should be classified ~~Confidential~~ because this source occupies a sensitive position with SCLC and dissemination of information furnished by this source to unauthorized individuals could reasonably result in jeopardizing his security.

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  - (1 - 100-5586) (M. L. KING, JR.)

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS  
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On July 7, 1966, a confidential source advised that during the week commencing July 5, 1966 contributions received by Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) from the general public and also as a result of the SCLC mail appeal program handled by the New York Office of SCLC under the supervision of STANLEY LEVISON, averaged approximately \$1200 per day. On July 5, 1966, a total of \$10,500 was received.

RALPH D. ABERNATHY, Vice President and Treasurer, SCLC, on July 7, 1966 told employees of the SCLC Finance Office he thought these contributions represented a spontaneous reaction of the public to the recent march in Mississippi connected with the shooting of [redacted] ABERNATHY said these contributions were not the result of any special appeal prepared by LEVISON.

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ABERNATHY pointed out there was an obvious lag in time between this appreciable increase in contributions and recent activities in Mississippi. He said he believed this lag was the result of a slow realization on the part of the public that SCLC was not a civil rights organization allegedly seeking "black power."

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On 6/23/66, at New York City in Webster Hall, 119 East 11th Street, at the 18th National CP Convention, a discussion group was held at 7:00 p.m., concerning the party structure and organization, the topic being CP Party Clubs. This was held in the upstairs right balcony and there were approximately 20 people in attendance.

The leader of the discussion group was Comrade [ ] (Last Name Unknown) (LNU). The topic under discussion was Party Clubs. Comrade [ ] stated that the Los Angeles Club could not get a transfer effectuated so how could they get one to come to the party. The next discussion was one Comrade [ ] from New York. He stated that the Party Club was the most decisive organ of the Communist Party (CP). He stated that we must have the following:

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1. Leadership in mass movement.
2. Emergence of the party, meaning participation in all areas.
3. Concentration on the working class.

He went on to state that in Party Clubs the quality of the discussion must be improved. He would like very much to see a discussion bulletin put out by the party. He would also like to see an increase in literature available to the various clubs. Also he would like to see that collective leadership be emphasized within the party organizations. Another item that he would stress is the definite assignment for clubs as a whole. This also would emphasize the proper ideological background for all party members. He stressed the structural reform within the party, that we have county conventions and a renewal of the club membership meetings more periodically. He went on to state that New York has the biggest campaign underway for the Congressional District, naming HERBERT APTHEKER, who is now running for Congressional District in Brooklyn. Comrade [ ] went on to make an observation regarding community forums within New York district. He stated that they will sponsor ~~Marxists-Leninists speakers~~ one or two times as opposed to ~~other types of individuals~~ ten to

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twelve times. The reason for this emphasis on the foregoing was that he said we must be careful that we do not become a party of the invisibles. He stated that it is hard to get mail let alone the CP members to run as Congressional candidates. He also stated that we must stress the press, meaning more readers of the worker. The next discussion was one Comrade [redacted] of New York. Comrade [redacted] asked a question "How can we change thinking of party members?" There was no answer to this question. Comrade [redacted] stated that we must also search for methods based on experience of party members. That we must have a flow of communication from the party meaning a national discussion bulletin. He also wanted to clarify as to what contribution can the party make in mass movements and class outlook.

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The next spokesman was Party Comrade [redacted] (ph) from Wisconsin. [redacted] stated that party members were asked to speak locally as unofficial party spokesmen. Comrade [redacted] was actually the party spokesman for the territory of Wisconsin. At the University of Wisconsin there recently was a party spokesman, who was well received. Comrade [redacted] also stated that they are going to recruit in the area of Wisconsin. Comrade [redacted] also liked very much the idea expressed by Comrade [redacted] that we send out a discussion letter to all clubs.

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The next speaker was a party by the name of [redacted] [redacted] is from Los Angeles, however, Comrade [redacted] was wearing a ring with the initials [redacted]. Comrade [redacted] identified himself as a [redacted] from the State of California. His comments were as follows:

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That we should stress the dialectic function of the party. He stated that there is a wall existing between party life and outside participation of any party member. He stated the majority of party members do not participate in any community political life. He went on to state, however, that he had not at the time read the resolution as published by the party for the party organization and structure. He went on to comment that there was a national discussion bulletin published of two to four issues about three to four years ago. It was stopped, however, because the articles were in conflict with each other. He blames this on the timidity of the leaders to discuss or argue with the masses. Comrade [redacted] went on to make an observation that the youth of the party in his opinion will double within the next two years.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from California. Comrade [ ] asked questions "What is our recruiting policy?" She stated that youth and the adult are doing exactly the same work. That we must have a new educational body setup and mostly that we need socialism.

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The next discussant was one Comrade [ ] not identified as to state of delegation. He stated that HERBERT APTHEKER was in Chicago recently and that in order to get sponsorship of APTHEKER's meetings in Chicago, it was necessary to go outside the party and ask two professors to sponsor HERBERT APTHEKER. None of the local party members would do it. He went on to say that only four of the 16 party members in that area came to the meeting on May Day.

The next discussant was one Comrade [ ] (phonetic), New York. Comrade [ ] stated the majority of the party members will not attend party school. At the last school, party members were counted on one hand. Comrade [ ] stated that the party must initiate positions on all basic issues. It was stated that New York is starting now with the 15 cent fare struggle in New York City.

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The next section has to do with the literature committee report, which was a subsection of the party structure and organization discussing group. The narrator of this report was not identified. The narrator did state that there was an increased use of press against the party, however, that they believe there is an increase of Marxist-Leninist works available to offset anything the press might do against the party. Proposals that were set forth were:

1. We must raise the question of apparatus on every level of party organization. Someone who has use of party literature must make it available at all times.
2. That an establishment of a literature fund be emphasized. That all party organizations, clubs, districts must pay for all publications of literature at time of delivery. He stated that the clubs will be offered discounts on their purchases and these discounts used to establish the literature fund.



3. A question of literature be discussed at each club meeting and available for sale, meaning literature available for sale.
4. That the clubs must create and develop discussions on basic books, pamphlets and increase distribution of political affairs. He also wants literature available in Spanish plus aid to bookshops on a credit basis.
5. An educational committee be set up on a national basis to develop educational work on proper use of literature and study outline. Under this subsection he wants a special production of literature for the youth, special pamphlets on the introduction to the party, a need for history of the party and a guide for study of Marxist-Leninist for students and teachers. This individual went on to state that we cannot get out mass literature in small quantities, we must double the sale of this program by the end of the year and by Labor Day of next year we must have an educational committee established.

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] (Detroit). Comrade [redacted] proposed that GUS HALL's opening remarks of Wednesday evening be published as a CP Guide Line.

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The next report is based on the press commission report which again is a subsection of the party structure and organization. The person identified giving this report was one Comrade [redacted] of California. Comrade [redacted] suggested the following:

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A national committee on press be organized. That we must have a better relation of the party with the press. That a press director be established and appointed at club level. It was pointed out that we have 12,000 CP members but there are only 7,000 readers of the "Daily Worker." He stated that he wanted a summer project for membership to the worker that one subscription per member be established by 12/31/66. It was also suggested that we eliminate the mid-week edition to get better weekly publication. The financial savings be used to put out a Spanish paper. It was also stated that a resolution that the

party put out a daily worker by 1968. It was pointed out that Comrade [ ] had made a bet with the delegation from Minnesota and the Dakotas that they will get more subscriptions than any other delegation.

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The next discussant was identified as Comrade [ ] from the National Committee. He stated that Detroit would have to get 500 subscriptions if he asked one member to get one subscription. It was pointed out that the resolution to abolish the mid-week edition came from Illinois.

The next discussant was one Comrade [ ] who stated that the Spanish page was very necessary in the "Daily Worker." At this point the discussion was drawn to a conclusion and any final papers to be drawn up by the discussion leader, Comrade [ ] for presentation to the party as a whole on Friday afternoon. The above discussion ended at 10:00 p.m. So ends committee meeting.

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#### General Convention 6/24/66

#### Trade Union Panel Report

Comrade GEORGE MEYERS of Baltimore, Maryland, gave the trade union report. However, this resolution as stated by GEORGE MEYERS was to be rewritten for the new edition of the draft program according to the wishes of the Trade Union Committee.

#### Negro Commission Report

Comrade CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT gave this report. Comrade LIGHTFOOT stated that the Civil Rights struggle is in a transition. How should we as communists view this struggle? We believe that we must strengthen our role in the party, we must encourage others to action and we support the efforts of other types of organizations. The party must initiate new struggles. He stated that the CP must be the best fighter in struggling for rights. He observed that youth is no longer susceptible to red baiting. That no one has the Negro population in their pockets. That this gives the communist party the opportunity to lead. Comrade LIGHTFOOT stated that, one, we must link up all civil rights and peace groups. Two, we must focus on economic problems and three, we cannot release poverty of the ghetto without increasing the income. This basically is the meaning of Negro Labor Alliance.

Comrade LIGHTFOOT went on to state that there are certain political aspects of the Negro problem. He stated that the Negro must fill the ballot boxes in the South. That we must retire [redacted] He went on to say that the party must make the unemployed and the student youth able to stand in the arena of our great struggle. LIGHTFOOT went on to say that we must struggle for higher Negro quality of political representation. That we must train Marxist-Leninist Negro women cadre. On the question of white chauvinism the times require that we must have a new mode of interracial living. When the Negroes are struggling for identity they must have the white participation and support. The party must set a new example of this type of living.

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The first discussant was one Comrade [redacted] from the State of Washington, specifically Seattle. It was stated that alliance must be made up of groups heading in the same directions with the same type of common interests.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] (ph) of Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] stated that we communists can play a role to bring about equality for all. He further stated that tokenism means reversal.

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] of Cleveland, Ohio. Comrade [redacted] stated that the party is going forward in an open struggle that all whites must work for the betterment of the Negro position.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from Ohio. Comrade [redacted] stated that we must build the party. That Negro-white unity through the clubs must be obtained. We also must build unity within the unions.

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from the State of Washington. Comrade [redacted] stated that we must aid the struggle for Negro equality.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from Northern California. Comrade [redacted] stated that one major deficiency in the program was on page seven of the draft program regarding the Negro resolution. He stated that there was a need for massive Federal action in the structural way income was distributed.

That we must tear down the ghettos and build anew. All this work cannot be done by Negroes alone that we need alliance on a level on which they are both effective. Meaning both Negroes and whites in poverty areas.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Los Angeles, California. Comrade [ ] made the mention of police brutality in the recent Watts area. He also commented regarding a new organization TALO (believed to mean Total Alliance of Labor Organizations).

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Chicago. Comrade [ ] stated that we must end the ghettos. He stated that in Chicago the organization known as COPE was a hinderance at times.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic). Comrade [ ] stated that everyone in the discussion group was enriched by all the ideas brought forth. [ ] stated that we must elevate everyone in this struggle for Negro rights, [ ] went on to say that the Negro suffer from genocidal warfare of scum in our country. She went on to discuss the right of self-defense within the United States, stating that are we whites goint to allow the Negroes to defend the life and liberty of our country.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (ph) of California. Comrade [ ] stated that white chauvinism is only discussed in the CP, it is never discussed in any other organization to her knowledge. Comrade [ ] went on to state that we must have more black women leadership within the party.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] state delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] eluded to the fact that there is a new black power within the United States and because of this power we must have a new class relationship.

#### Youth Panel Report

This report was given by [ ] from California. Comrade [ ] report was distributed, in printed form, to all those present at the convention.

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The first discussant under this section was Comrade [redacted]. Comrade [redacted] is the [redacted] for the CP. Comrade [redacted] stated that we see the problem of white chauvinism within the United States and are going forward to correct it. Comrade [redacted] stated that monopolies cause youth to go to war and that militarism has been injected into the youth struggle within the United States. Comrade [redacted] eluded to the fact that there had been no discussion on socialism and what it meant to youth at the panel discussion. He also said that there was no discussion on the women question within the CP. He further criticized that there was not enough discussion on Negro youth, there was not enough discussion on police brutality, there was not enough discussion on the draft problem especially for the young married couples.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Comrade [redacted] asked the question "How do we build a working class around youth?" We need more white persons to speak out against police brutality and also that there is not enough militancy in some areas of our struggle.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] (phonetic) from Northern California. Comrade [redacted] stated that there is a struggle to keep the party as one party within the United States. That there was little communications between the adult party and the youth party. It was further stated that the role of the adult faction of the party is to support the youth movement. The youth question should be discussed by adults as well as youth. It was further stated that we must have standards of recruiting of CP members in the U.S.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] (ph) from Chicago, Illinois. Comrade [redacted] stated that the question of the draft must be put in the proper context, meaning that it is different to defend ones country from an outside as opposed to going to another country and trying to assist or impose your will on other people. [redacted] went on to state that the youth can make many contributions that will not be readily acceptable to the adults, but whatever they do accomplish must be done democratically.

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The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from Southern California. Comrade [redacted] stated that we must project self criticism in our attitude towards the youth and we must find better

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ways to get along with them.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Chicago. Comrade [ ] stated that the trade unions do not understand the problem of youth.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (ph) from New York. Comrade [ ] asked question "What is wrong with the party?" Because there is no mass approach to recruitment and organization.

### CP Draft Program Report

The Draft Program Report was given by JAMES JACKSON a delegate from Baltimore, Maryland and a National Committee member. Comrade JACKSON stated that the next edition of the CP draft program would be edited more finely. He continued that we will have further draft program discussions for one more year and then hold a National Conference on the draft program.

The next discussant was Comrade AL RICHMOND from California. Comrade RICHMOND wrote the draft program along with seven other individuals. Comrade RICHMOND stated that this was a tremendous effort and he realized that they had made many errors but they had to put something on paper in order to have a good convention. Comrade RICHMOND went on to say that a five year plan of a socialist society cannot over take the capitalist society. It is noted that at this point that when Comrade RICHMOND came on the stage he was given a standing ovation for his efforts at writing the draft program.

The next discussant was Comrade HY LUMER the editor of political affair. Comrade LUMER stated that he (along with [ ]) and a few others are responsible for what is not in the program. He went on to state that China precipitated a split with the USSR but did not succeed in splitting the socialist countries.

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The next discussant was Comrade HERBERT APTHEKER from Brooklyn, New York, and also the CP theoretician. Comrade APTHEKER's speech in its full text was distributed to all those in attendance.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Illinois, it was discovered later that Comrade [ ] runs a CP bookstore

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in Chicago. Comrade [ ] stated that he had arranged three speaking engagements for Comrade APTHEKER which included the Loyola University and also the University of Indiana. At both of these speaking engagements, Comrade [ ] stated he sold 300 of Comrade APTHEKER's recent publication "Mission to Hanoi." Comrade [ ] went on to state that mailing of the draft program should be enlarged that each member or teams of members should sell ten copies of the program each, that we should get a final goal of 100,000 copies of the final draft program as our projected sales.

The next discussant was Comrade ARNOLD JOHNSON, the CP Public Relations Director from New York City. Comrade JOHNSON stated that the program generally meets the demands of our society but it can be strengthened through increased discussion and study. He urged a new approach to the new draft program and also that we put it in pocketbook size.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] State delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] stated that each of us must take the program and scrutinize it prior to the final publication. He stated that position papers must be prepared and adopted plus the present draft must be subjected to future study. He eluded to the fact that there was a deficiency in defining our own economy and that the use of monopolies as an invictive of our society had been inflicted on the party. Comrade [ ] stated that the program does not properly define the role of the working class. He went on to state each of us is responsible for every work in the draft program, therefore we must review it to the best of our ability and while reviewing it we must analyze the draft under Leninist-Marxist historical materialism.

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The next discussant was Comrade GILL GREEN, district delegation not known, however Comrade GREEN is a member of the National Committee. Comrade GREEN stated that everything depends on the struggle of the CP. He stated that we cannot totally reject the Chinese position in its relationship with the USSR, but also we cannot over simplify the situation that does exist. He stated that we cannot take reversals lightly, that we live in the country that is the enemy of the people. Just think what could have been if the U. S. were not an imperialistic nation.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic), state delegation not known. Comrade [ ] stated that the CP was responsible for the popularization of Negro history. Comrade

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[ ] stated in considering national pride there is a difference from the point of view of the oppressed and from the point of view of the oppressor.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic), District delegation not known. Comrade [ ] stated that the CP program was a real start for the Negro people. That the CP must begin to work in the Negro church. That the Negro church has been a social and focal point as well as a religious outlet for all Negro people.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic), [ ] (phonetic), State delegation not known. Comrade [ ] stated that the program does not give a reason for membership in the CP.

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#### General Convention 6/25/66

##### Peace Panel Report

The Peace Panel Report was chaired by Comrade [ ] [ ] (phonetic) also identified as the Red Flame. Comrade [ ] stated that we must get out of Vietnam no matter what the cost might be. She stated that there is a greater opportunity for the CP to participate in peace. She noted that there was a lack of red baiting in many organizations at this time. There were no discussions of the peace panel report recorded.

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##### Party Structure and Organization Panel Report

Comrade [ ] from New York City gave this report. Comrade [ ] stated that we must stress youth for party growth and single out shops for concentration of party club membership. He stated that in education and ideals one must have greater emphasis by the party in literature, schools and classes. That we must provide outlines, guides and schools in order to educate new recruits. He stated that there is a problem of proper evaluation of the working class and that we need a form of understanding of electoral policies and tactics within the party. He noted the use of security which is an obstacle to building the party. Comrade [ ] brought out seven points which he wanted clarification on in the next edition of the draft program:

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1. A resolution on the discussion of clubs, meaning clubs are the center of the mass work and he wanted a further definition of club function.
2. Strengthen the resolution on making the party more visible. That we must have mass campaigns on mass issues. And that there be a discussion of the party in public light.
3. An emphasis placed on cadre development. We must overcome condition reflexes from prior periods.
4. Strengthen in the party democracy and leadership. We must set norms and standards. Overcome weaknesses with solutions. We must have reports from leading committees.
5. A clarification of the role of the leaders as mass workers.
6. Greater discussion on self-discipline and self-criticism.
7. A reevaluation of current situations with regards to the press. Comrade [ ] stated that we should establish a daily Marxist paper. That the press building is an integral part of this convention and that a national conference on press be held very, very soon. With regard to the discussion on literature he made a series of points being as follows:
  - a. We must build an apparatus for literature of the party.
  - b. A literature fund at all levels of the party.
  - c. Literature be available at each meeting, whether club or district.

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- d. Current books and pamphlets made available to the bookstores and local clubs and organizations.
- e. Drive and study to increase the distribution of the "Political Affairs" magazine.
- f. Leadership will bring literature to the movements and trade organizations, youth and the Spanish speaking people.
- g. A national book list for all bookstores and
- h. The publication of Marxist literature, consider literature for youth and introduction to the party, a history of the party and a guide for study of Marxism for students and teachers, a system for mass publication of literature at the lowest possible cost, a periodic conference on literature, establishment of a committee for literature at the National level for literature distribution throughout the country.

Comrade  closed with the proposal that the incoming leadership prepare a national membership drive at this time.

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First discussant under this section was Comrade WILLIAM WINESTONE (phonetic), from New York, representing Wisconsin. Comrade WINESTONE stated that there is a confusion between the vanguard and the masses. Comrade WINESTONE stated that we need a massive ideological campaign to develop the forces in order to do that we must spend money. He cannot build without ideology. You do not learn in the classrooms alone, but you learn through the class struggle. He went on to state that we have underestimated public acceptance of the draft program. That a massive campaign without literature is impossible. He further stated that we must be leaders of Marxist circles in order to better educate the masses. The masses need our ideas. Teach the vanguard of the working class and they will come to the party.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Northern California. Comrade [ ] criticized the draft program and that there was no mention of democratic centralism in the program. She also wanted to know why doesn't the club function as it should. It was noted that a draft resolution on party organization was not distributed early enough for club discussion. Everyone should not be afraid to criticize the resolutions in order to correct the draft program.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Chicago, Illinois. His criticism was the attitude towards the press since it was not given a full panel discussion at the convention. He stated that if we do not build the press how do you build the party. Further criticism was that the layout of the worker is not good, that we must increase the staff to increase the effect of the worker.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic) Massachusetts. Comrade [ ] wanted the establishment of a youth leadership school with a minimum of three months duration. The youth commission should be more than a guidance commission. There is a strain due to the youth needing to communicate with the adults. This lack of communication is due to the lack of funds.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Southern California. Comrade [ ] asked the question "How do we organize to get better understanding throughout the party?"

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from New York City. Comrade [ ] wanted to know how does the party play a role of leadership in the mass movement and two, how does the party merge as a party in its own rights while talking to those in struggle. Comrade [ ] stated that clubs must be built larger and stronger. We must have a purpose for all clubs, meaning purpose and objective. We must have club debates and we must be a visibility of the party, we cannot be an invisible party in this period. And the press is an indispensable way of accomplishing this.

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Next discussant was Comrade [ ] (Last Name Not Known) from Minnesota. Comrade [ ] stated that contradictions reflect the life of the party and they can be resolved in the press in a positive way. Comrade [ ] went on to say that they had opened

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a bookstore near the University of Minnesota.

The next discussant is Comrade [redacted] (phonetic) from Colorado. Comrade [redacted] stated that people are afraid of losing their jobs. We must protect people who could lose their jobs for selling literature. Comrade [redacted] stated that he feels most CP members do not go to church, they should go out and sell on Sunday afternoon, if they lose their jobs the party should feed their family. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from Ohio. Comrade [redacted] stated that a youth had asked of him why should I join the party when you are undemocratic. The concept of democratic centralism is not understood within the party. The party does not really react to democratic centralism. Comrade [redacted] feels that the party should issue publications on democratic centralism in theory and practice within the party. Comrade [redacted] also stated that he wanted the establishment as a youth functionary full-time in the mid-West area. b6 b7C

The next discussant is Comrade [redacted] now from Michigan. This individual was formerly from Baltimore, Maryland, and was known by many of the delegates from Baltimore. Comrade [redacted] stated that we do have all white clubs in Negro territories. We must stop this. We sometimes consider older comrades as has beens but they can still perform a party function. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] (phonetic) from the State of Washington. Comrade [redacted] stated that we must fight for the visibility of the CP. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] State Delegation not identified. Comrade [redacted] stated that ideas must be translated into material form. Comrade [redacted] wanted to know what are we doing now with the paper we now have prior to going into the expansion of any more publications. That the problem is not the advice to the paper but how to use the paper to organize mass workers.

The next discussant was Comrade [redacted] from Southern California. Comrade [redacted] stated that since we were discussing youth clubs this reveals to him the necessity for a youth organization within the party. He stated that adults must come into youth clubs to revitalize the organization. b6 b7C

## Political Action Panel Report

The moderator was Comrade PAT TOOHEY (phonetic), State Delegation not identified. This report was given by Comrade SY HERSON (ph), also State Delegation not identified. The chairman for the political action report discussion panel was Comrade DOROTHY HEALEY (phonetic). Comrade HERSON stated that more precise analysis is needed regarding the political action of our party. He stated that we have become reporters instead of initiators of mass action and we do want shouts of "Yankees Come Home."

The first discussant under this section was not identified nor was the place of State Delegation, however, this individual did state that more discussion on the democratic party within the U.S. is needed and how do we recruit communists from the democratic party.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Oregon. Comrade [ ] stated that we must build an independent party from the bottom up. He went on to state that the draft program does not express the party responsibility except for a party candidate. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Missouri. Comrade [ ] wanted to know why there was only one Negro at the discussion of this report. Comrade [ ] went on to state that we must tell the masses of what our candidates will do even though the war is not over. Comrade [ ] went on to criticize the worker to great extent regarding the editorials, the layouts and the reporting in general. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Michigan. Comrade [ ] wanted the party to stress nationality groups for democratic party support. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Washington. Comrade [ ] stated that we must build a working class as a political power.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Brooklyn, New York. Comrade [ ] stated we should have a Southern Affairs Commission. She went on to state that there was no Southern Affairs Panel at the current CP convention. She went on to state that a clarification of the Jewish Organizations helping the FBI must be looked into. b6 b7C

The next discussant was Comrade PHIL BART from Ohio. Comrade BART stated that we should look back to see what we have actually accomplished at our convention. That an anti-monopoly coalition must be established since it is the main theme of our party. He stated that had the labor unions supported a Negro candidate in Cleveland, he could have been the first Negro Mayor of a major U.S. city.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from California. Comrade [ ] reported on the recent election in California, with Comrade DOROTHY HEALEY. He stated that the press had reported that a communist in the office of county assessor would have access to secret information, which could be used against the county. Comrade [ ] stated that at a recent press interview, Comrade HEALEY stated that any questions regarding her association with the CP would be answered after the election.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Northern California (Oakland). Comrade [ ] stated that many new communists candidates would run for office in the near future in his area. We must strengthen the Negro political candidates and we have underestimated the Negro working class movement; we cannot just look towards professional people, we must look towards the mass worker.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Southern California. Comrade [ ] stated that we must have a matter of record our participation in politics, not just slogans and posters. Comrade [ ] went on to say that more whites should come to the aide of Negroes and foreign speaking people when they are jailed. We must also fight police brutality and for the legality of the CP.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic) State Delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] stated that very few candidates are willing to ride JOHNSON's coattails.

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At this point an amendment was proposed by a delegate from the State of Illinois, the name of the individual not known. This comrade proposed that a national test case on the legal restrictions imposed by 38 states on the CP candidates not being allowed to run for office be tested in the courts.

Women's Panel Report

This section has to deal with the women's panel report. Comrade [ ] (phonetic) unknown state delegation. Comrade [ ] stated that women are subjected to problems of imperialism and that women are victims of male chauvinism.

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The first discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic) [ ] State Delegation unidentified. Comrade [ ] stated that women are the lowest paid and also the least organized in industry. Comrade [ ] went on to state that we must combat male chauvinism.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] State Delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] stated that we are in the heart of the most vicious imperialist country in the world. That the women problem in the U.S. is a problem of the bourgeoisie. Comrade [ ] went on to state that we need more Negro women in the party. That the last Negro woman that was in party leadership was [ ]. Comrade [ ] last comment was that we must get the troops out of Vietnam and put them in Mississippi to protect the Negro.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic), State Delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] stated that we must organize women in trade unions.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] State Delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] stated that we must understand the women question. She went on to state that men fall for women who are trying to act as sex symbols in our society. Women really need economic and political power. Final question was "Why wasn't the report given by a Negro woman?"

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] State Delegation not identified. Comrade [ ] is the [ ] of [ ], who was one of the party functionaries supervising the convention. Comrade [ ] asked the question "How would you like to be a wife to a house?" Meaning that the housewife should get out of the house and perform a more meaningful task. Comrade [ ] stated that women took the right to vote that it was not given to them. They have been given three undeclared wars and have one undeclared one now. Comrade [ ] stated that they take our husbands and our boys away. Comrade [ ] last

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comment was that the male party members must get their wives in the CP also.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from New York. Comrade [ ] stated that we, the women, must become active in housing. We must get off the welfare role when we have skills which we can perform. We must also see to the establishment of day cares for children under three years of age. She would also like to see establishment of a women's bureau within the CP.

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### Spanish Speaking People Report

The first discussant under this section was Comrade [ ] from Texas. Comrade [ ] wanted to see the establishment of a pamphlet on culture on the Southwest Mexican-American.

The next discussant was Comrade [ ] (phonetic) from California. Comrade [ ] stated that there was a lack of contact and/or interest with Mexican-Americans. He also noted that there were no Mexicans in leadership of any unions. Comrade [ ] stated that during the time of the recent Watts disturbance and the police brutality in the Los Angeles area, that the Catholic Church was beginning to help Mexican-Americans.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Los Angeles, California. Comrade [ ] stated that Mexican-American women are exploited.

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The next discussant was Comrade [ ] from Texas. Comrade [ ] stated that we must have a trade union organization to help get rid of poverty of the Mexican-American. The AFL-CIO has hired 18 Mexican-American organizers for the Southwest U.S. area. Comrade [ ] stated that there had been no provision for translation of the party convention into Spanish. He also made mention of the fact that anti-Negro slurs were being spread in the Mexican-American areas.

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The next discussant in this category was Comrade [ ] (phonetic) from Northern California. Comrade [ ] alluded to the fact that the "Times" editorial stated there were few, very few Negroes, at the CP convention. He asked the question "What would they say in the Southwest area about Mexican-Americans?" Comrade [ ] stated we must have a language publication in Spanish. He went on to state that we must have a formal party

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structure in the Southwest area not one in New York to handle this situation.

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Comrade [redacted] was the Chairman for the Election of Delegates to the convention. Prior to the election, Comrade [redacted] (phonetic), State Delegation not identified, was asked to say a few words to the convention since Comrade [redacted] had been to the First CP Convention at the establishment of the CP in the U.S. At the conclusion of Comrade [redacted] remarks, Comrade TOMMY DENNIS, State Delegation not known, reported on the Constitution Committee that we would vote on four sections at this time only. Those sections having to do with the election of National Committee members. Comrade DENNIS stated that there were 213 delegates and 42 alternates to the convention. At this point, all state delegation officials were asked to come to the stage to pick up a list of suggested national committee members all for which the state delegations were to cast their ballots. The state delegations were directed to adjourn to specific portions of the hall to discuss the list of some 83 prospective candidates for the National Committee from which only 70 would be picked at this time. The delegation from Maryland and Washington along with other southern states were asked to adjourn to the lower portion of Webster Hall. At this point, Comrade GEORGE MEYERS from Baltimore, Maryland, a writer for the "Worker" led the discussion on the proposed slate of 83 individuals. The only objection to any names on the list was raised by CHARLES GIFT from Washington, D.C. Comrade GIFT took the exception to the name of [redacted] State Delegation not identified, and HY LUMER of the Political Affairs. Comrade GIFT did not want these individuals on the list for the simple reason that they had not allowed him to speak on the Chinese question during the conference on party structure held on Thursday morning and afternoon. This objection was later formerly withdrawn with the stipulation that Comrade MEYERS make mention of Comrade GIFT's opinions to the National Delegation for Final Selection of 70 Members. Since there were no other names added to the list, the members reconvened in the main hall of Webster Hall. At which time it was announced by Comrade [redacted] that only individuals holding delegate and alternate cards would be allowed to remain in the hall, all observers must leave the room. A partial list of the 83 members listed on the suggested list are as follows:

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[redacted], delegate from Texas;  
Comrade [redacted] from Chicago the individual who [redacted]  
[redacted];  
Comrade JAMES JACKSON, from party headquarters;  
Comrade ARNOLD JOHNSON, from party headquarters;  
Comrade [redacted] from party headquarters;  
Comrade CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, from party headquarters;  
Comrade GUS HALL, from party headquarters;  
[redacted] a writer for the "Worker" from Detroit,  
Michigan;

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Comrade AL RICHMOND, from California;  
Comrade HERBERT APTHEKER, from Brooklyn; and  
Comrade [redacted] from California;  
Comrade HENRY WINSTON, from party headquarters;  
Comrade [redacted] from Baltimore;  
GEORGE MEYERS, from Baltimore;  
Comrade HY LUMER, from party headquarters;  
Comrade [redacted], delegation not known;  
Comrade GILL GREEN, delegation not known;  
Comrade PATTERSON, first name not known, but Comrade  
PATTERSON was not at the convention;  
Comrade [redacted] who is the CP youth chairman;  
Comrade [redacted], state delegation not known;  
Comrade DOROTHY HEALEY, from California;  
Comrade [redacted], delegation not known; and  
Comrade [redacted], from Wisconsin.

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At the party convention on 6/24/66, there were approximately 400 to 450 people in attendance. On 6/25/66, there were also approximately 400 to 450 people in attendance. On 6/26/66, the final day of the convention, there were approximately 350 to 400 people in attendance. There were 55 tables with ten chairs per table. Among those in attendance the following individuals were identified:

[redacted] a delegate from Texas;  
[redacted] (LNU), [redacted] in Chicago;  
JAMES JACKSON, National Delegate from Baltimore;  
ARNOLD JOHNSON, from party headquarters;  
[redacted] from party headquarters;  
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, from party headquarters;  
Mr. and Mrs. GUS HALL, from party headquarters;  
[redacted] state delegation unknown;

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A individual by the name of [ ] (nickname) is a coal miner from West Virginia;

[ ] this individual recently appeared in Baltimore, Maryland, as having made a trip to Vietnam, state delegation unknown;

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[ ], state delegation unknown, however, [ ] was formerly from Baltimore; [ ] writer for the "Worker" from Detroit, Michigan;

AL RICHMOND, from California;

[ ] from California; [ ] from New York, this individual is a worker for the DCA;

HENRY WINSTON, National Party Headquarters;

[ ] party spokesman from Wisconsin; [ ] party headquarters;

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HY LUMER, party headquarters;

GIL GREEN, state delegation unknown;

[ ] (phonetic), state delegation unknown;

PHIL BART, state delegation unknown;

[ ] state delegation unknown;

[ ] state delegation unknown;

DOROTHY HEALEY, from California;

GEORGE MEYERS, Baltimore, Maryland;

[ ] Baltimore, Maryland;

[ ] Baltimore, Maryland;

[ ] Baltimore, Maryland;

CHARLES GIFT, Washington, D.C.;

[ ] Washington, D.C.;

[ ] Washington, D.C.;

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HERBERT APTHEKER, Brooklyn, New York;

[ ] state delegation unknown;

[ ] Baltimore, Maryland;

[ ] Baltimore, Maryland;

[ ] this individual is the [ ] for West Virginia.

This memorandum has been compared with the original statement and it is correct in substance.

All necessary action which should be taken in correction with this information has been taken.

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FROM: SA [redacted]

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 100-32733 Charles Gift  
 100-2686 [redacted]  
 100-38411 [redacted]

6-Detroit (RM) (Info.)

9-Los Angeles (RM) (Info.)

[redacted] (ph) LNU  
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4-Baltimore (RM) (Info.)

George Meyers  
Jake Green

[Redacted]

7-Chicago (RM) (Info.)

[Redacted]  
Claude Lightfoot

[Redacted]

[Redacted] Lnu

[Redacted]

Lou (Diskin)

[Redacted]

~~35~~-New York (RM) (Info.)

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CIRM  
CP Strategy in  
Industry  
CP, Pamphlets &  
Publications  
CP, Education  
CP, Youth  
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[Redacted] (ph) Lnu

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2-Boston (RM) (Info.)

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3-Cleveland (RM) (Info.)

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Phil Bart

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Arnold Johnson  
[Redacted]  
Gil Green  
William Weinstone  
Carl Winter  
Sy (Gerson)

[Redacted]

James Jackson

[Redacted]

Gus Hall

[Redacted]

5-Seattle (RM) (Info.)

[Redacted] Lnu  
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1-St. Louis (RM) (Info)

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2-Milwaukee (RM) (Info.)

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FROM : SA [redacted] (45)  
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- 1 - 100-155060
- 1 - 157-892
- 1 - 100-153735
- 1 - 100-91911

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On the afternoon of June 11, 1966, a street rally, sponsored by [redacted] to protest the recent shooting of [redacted] in Mississippi, was held at 123rd Street and Lenox Avenue, New York, N.Y. Approximately 200 were in attendance.

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[redacted] called for people to join the March in Mississippi. Other speakers were [redacted] of New York [redacted] [redacted] of the New York City Council on Human Rights.

Among those in attendance were [redacted]  
[redacted]

There were no incidents of violence at this rally and no arrests.





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Atlanta, Georgia  
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Title	COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS.
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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-6670)  
RE: CIRM

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and 7 copies and for New York 3 copies of LHM.

Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted]

Sources utilized to characterize WACHTEL are NY 1190-S\* and Anonymous Source of WFO set out in report of SA [redacted] 7/19/50 at WFO re "NLG; IS-C."

[redacted] Dissemination of information furnished by [redacted] should be classified ~~Confidential~~ because this source occupies a sensitive position with SCLC and dissemination of information furnished by this source to unauthorized individuals could reasonably result in jeopardizing his security.

The enclosed LHM has been classified ~~Secret~~ because it contains information from NY 1190-S\*. It is felt this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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Director, FBI (100-442529)

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SAC, Birmingham (100-5150) - P\* -

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Re Birmingham airtel, 4/29/66.

No information has been received during the period 4/1/66 - 6/30/66 of any CP activity in racial matters within the territory of the Birmingham Field Division.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: JUL 13 1966

TO : SAC, BUFFALO (100-4379-69)

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
NEW YORK DISTRICT  
BUFFALO DIVISION  
ORGANIZATION  
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2 - Albany (Info) (RM)

- (1 - 100- , CP DISTRICT #2 ORGANIZATION)
- (1 - 100- , UNSUB; White Male, 6', 180 lbs., Balding, Late 50s)

52 - New York

- (1 - 100-128814, CP DISTRICT #2 ORGANIZATION)
- (1 - 100- , [redacted])
- (1 - 100- , JIM TORMEY)
- (1 - 100- , WILLIAM PATTERSON)
- (1 - 100- , GIL GREEN)
- (1 - 100- , HERBERT APTHEKER)
- (1 - 100-128812, POLITICAL ACTIVITY)
- (1 - 100-128819, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)
- (1 - 100-128823, DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES)
- (1 - 100- , CRM)
- (1 - 100-128813, PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS)
- (1 - 100-128804, YOUTH MATTERS)
- (1 - 100-128314, FUNDS)
- (1 - 100- , "THE WORKER")
- (1 - 100-128816, NATIONAL GROUP COMMISSIONS)
- (1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka Ida, Negro Female from Brooklyn)
- (1 - 100- , [redacted] (PH))
- (1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted] from Brooklyn)
- (1 - 100-128809, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
- (1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted])
- (1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted] from Brooklyn, Spanish Male)
- (1 - 100- , UNSUB, aka [redacted] from Westchester)
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- (1 - 100- , [redacted])
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11 - Buffalo

- (1 - [redacted])
- (1 - 100-14568, [redacted] (c))
- (1 - 100-14567, [redacted] (c))
- (1 - 100-2080, [redacted] (P - [redacted]))
- (1 - 100-11900, [redacted] (P - [redacted]))
- (1 - 100-15 [redacted] (P\* - [redacted]))
- (1 - 100-4379-89, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY) (P - [redacted])
- (1 - 100-4379-72, POLITICAL ACTIVITY) (C)
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- (1 - 100-4379-68, MEMBERSHIP) (P - [redacted])

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[redacted] furnished the following:

"Buffalo, New York  
June 14, 1966

"On Friday, June 10, 1966, the Buffalo delegation bound for the New York Communist Party Convention consisted of [redacted]

[redacted] who wants to be called [redacted]. They traveled in the [redacted] car. En route, they stopped in Rochester to pick up [redacted]. After arriving in New York City, at about 5:00 p.m. they went to the Central Plaza Hotel, Second Avenue, Manhattan. The Convention was held in the Normandy Room on the second floor of the Hotel. [redacted] signed them up as delegates. The delegates received pink cards and the alternates received blue cards. [redacted] along with [redacted] were delegates, and [redacted] was an alternate from the Erie County Communist Party. [redacted] was a delegate from the Monroe County Communist Party.

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"The Convention was opened by Jim Tormey, the New York District Communist Party Labor Secretary. He regretted the absence of District Chairman William Patterson who, because of doctor's orders, could not be there. He also made a similar reference to Henry Winston. Tormey introduced the keynote speaker, Gil Green, the New York District Organizer.

"Green paid his respects to all the comrades who died in the recent past, including Ben Davis and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn. According to Green, the Party

"is beginning this Convention and the 18th National Convention full of high hopes. The Party is in as advantageous a position as it has ever been. Of special importance is the fact that the Party has endorsed Herbert Aptheker as a candidate for the 12th Congressional District. It has been a long time since the Party has had a peace candidate.

"The masses want their sons to return home from the Viet Nam war. Since the 17th National Convention, the Party has gone through many crises and, due to the McCarran Act, lost part of its membership; but it has survived to see the defeat of the McCarran Act. The Party has advanced in the various civil rights movements and in trade unions, all of which proves that the line of the Party is correct. A comrade in California, Dorothy Healey, polled 87,000 votes, which tends to show the correctness of the Party line.

"With regard to the Draft Program, many clubs have not seen to it that members have read and discussed it. The Draft Program has had a wide distribution and has even been furnished to non-Party people. It can be influential in spreading the Party line into the community. It can convince people that United States participation in Viet Nam is a rich man's war and that the poor are dying. Opposition to the Viet Nam war is spreading, even into elements of the Catholic Church.

"Martin Luther King has been working against the slum lords in Chicago. He has asked for 11 billion dollars to help the Negro people, but he can't get it because of the Viet Nam war. United States Senator Robert Kennedy is against the Viet Nam war and has taken a position for peace. President Johnson is against peace. Everybody except his administration is against the Viet Nam war and wants to bring the boys home. Party clubs in the shops and in the communities are fighting for peace. If we work harder, we can stop this murder.

"The FBI has stood by in the South while murders against Negro people were committed. The Party has hopes for the New Left. The Party has recruited people from the New Left. In a spirit of cooperation,



"the New Left and the old Party people are working together. The Party Program has been given to all, even non-Party people. It can be influential in many ways; for example, in the PTA. Although the PTA often involves parents who have younger children, yet in a few years these children will be approaching draft age and the parents will be very much concerned about their welfare. Get the Draft Program into the PTA. Many civil rights groups are against the Administration's war in Viet Nam, but one of them, the NAACP, is supporting the Administration.

"Each year 'The Worker' must raise \$50,000. Since the Draft Program started, non-Party people have been making big contributions, and former Party people have returned to the fold. Gil Green wants all comrades to learn Spanish so that they can work with the Puerto Ricans who are ripe for recruitment. Many Catholic Churches are coming out for peace against the Viet Nam war. Some priests are even holding classes about the Draft Program. Much money must be raised for Herbert Aptheker's campaign. Money should be sent in from outside the New York City area in support of Aptheker. At the conclusion of Gil Green's report, the first evening's session ended.

"On Saturday morning, June 11, 1966, the Convention reconvened at the same hotel. Seated at the same table were Marty Zelman, John and Ivory McKenzie, John Touralchuk, and Gert Kowal. There were also some people there from Westchester County. There was a man there from Albany who fit this description: White, 6', 180 pounds, mixed brown hair, balding, late 50's, has daughter 24 years old and married son 23.

"The session began with a discussion regarding Gil Green's report. Each person was permitted to speak five minutes. The people present proceeded to tell what was happening in their community, how Party methods of work could be improved, what they hoped the Party would accomplish, etc.

a Negro woman from Brooklyn, spoke about working on low rent housing, raising money, the struggle in Brooklyn, trying to get better working conditions,

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"about her support of [redacted] (phonetic); a Negro candidate in Brooklyn, who is a peace candidate and is being supported by the Party.

[redacted] (phonetic) spoke about the fight for peace, fight for homes, about how Lyndon B. Johnson is watching his popularity and the peace polls. [redacted] (phonetic) told about how he is helping to build a pressure movement against the Viet Nam war.

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[redacted] from Brooklyn, told about how the civil rights movement has become militant. He urged that people participating in the civil rights demonstrations should be neat and properly dressed. They should not engage in fighting. They should stay in line and let the signs they carry speak for themselves. He told about how President Johnson could stop the war in Viet Nam if he wanted to.

"A reference was made to the number of persons attending this Convention. It was broken down into 127 women, 110 men, and a total of 52 visitors.

"Next a Spanish man named [redacted] from Brooklyn, gave a history of 'The Worker.'"

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[redacted] from Buffalo, was critical of the State for not giving enough consideration to Buffalo. He said that the State has a great opportunity to work in this industrial area.

[redacted] from Buffalo, stressed the need for studying the Draft Program. He said if it is followed, in ten years they should have a Herbert Aptheker or a Gil Green going to Congress or even to the White House.

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[redacted] spoke about the injustices of the draft, about how it favors those receiving higher education. He said they should try to persuade doctors, lawyers, and other people high in the community to come to club meetings to learn about the Draft Program.

"A man from Westchester County said that the old comrades should transfer their experience to younger Party people.

[redacted] from Westchester, hoped that they would keep Bob Thompson's peace drive going. It is noted that [redacted] was at this session of the Convention.

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[redacted] from Brooklyn, talked about labor and trade unions.

"After lunch, the delegates broke up into panels for the purpose of discussing various aspects of Party work. One panel was on Negro and Puerto Rican work. It was chaired by [redacted] from Rochester, was there. [redacted] spoke about the Negro revolution in the United States. He discussed many aspects of the Negro people's movement. He said that the Negro has the right to defend himself against the encroachments of white people. There were discussions about Negro oppression, housing, jobs, the struggle against Jim Crow, settling into white communities, breaking down discrimination in trade unions, and about the South having produced a new crop of leaders.

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"After supper that evening they returned to the Normandy Room. They had formed a Ballot Committee, and they started to prepare ballots for the delegates.

"The next speaker at the Convention was a Negro male named [redacted], who is Herbert Aptheker's [redacted]. He spoke in praise of Bob Thompson and he also praised William Patterson, who is ill. He commented that by reading Party books the Negro has been able to get hamburgers in restaurants, has been able to use public bathrooms, and has been able to get Lyndon B. Johnson to sing 'We Shall Overcome.' If the job is done right, President Johnson will be singing Party songs. We owe a great deal to the Communist books. We have learned from them that if the capitalists are against Negroes and against Communists, the Communists must be all right; and these two groups would do well to embrace each other.

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"Next they held County and area caucuses for making nominations to the State Committee, as well as for choosing delegates and alternates to the National

"Convention. In talking to the delegates, [redacted] from Buffalo talked with [redacted] the New York District Communist Party Organizational [redacted] [redacted] said it was okay if Buffalo sent as many people to the National Convention as it could. In the caucusing, it was agreed that [redacted] from Buffalo would go to the National Convention as a delegate, [redacted] as an alternate, and [redacted] as a visitor.

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"Gil Green introduced the Party peace candidate, Herbert Aptheker, who delivered a speech. In a clever fashion, Aptheker quoted Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and W.E.B. DuBois. In quoting Lincoln, he produced something that Abraham Lincoln said as a young senator directed against United States fighting in the Mexican war. He applied that to the United States fighting in the Viet Nam war. He gave a recent quotation from President Johnson for the purpose of demonstrating how the President lied about building his Great Society and instead, is pouring money into his Viet Nam war. Aptheker described a number of incidents in his life, especially during World War II, which remained with him. In telling one story, he referred to having been in East Germany at the end of World War II. He told about an East German Communist who produced a leaflet which was directed against those Germans who 'flew in the breeze.' By this he meant those people who were supposed to be Communists, but who didn't stand up against Hitler. Instead, they took the easy course and moved along with the tide. It is noted that the proceedings at all of the meetings were put on tape.

"Danny Rubel mentioned that evening that the youth contributed \$132.00 to the Fund Drive.

"On Sunday morning the Convention reconvened in the Main Ballroom of the same hotel. It was opened by [redacted] who introduced [redacted] the New York District Communist Party Organizational [redacted] gave the rules about voting. He then gave a report from the Credentials Committee. He remarked that there were 137 delegates at this session,

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"70 alternates, and 118 visitors. There were 143 women and 118 men. The ages ran like this:

"Students	14 persons
26 - 35	11 persons
36 - 50	46 persons
51 - 60	91 persons

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[ ] reported that the people in attendance had the following years in the Party:

"2 - 5 years	23 persons
6 - 10 years	16 persons
11 - 15 years	3 persons
16 - 25 years	33 persons
Over 25 years	116 persons

"There were 22 chartered members.

"With regard to the elections to be held at this Convention, [ ] said that 42 delegates will be chosen to attend the National Convention, and 64 will be elected to the New York District Communist Party Committee. He said that a name may be added to the back of the ballot. It is possible to have 70 names on each ballot, but if the ballot contains 71 or more names, it is void. It is anticipated that 400 to 500 persons will be present at the National Convention.

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"One of the last speakers at the Convention was [ ]. He spoke about Party mass work, Party clubs, and Party education. He referred to progress made in the trade unions and especially among the youth in recruiting new members. He put in a plug for the Jefferson Book Shop, 100 East 16th Street, New York, New York. He urged those present not to be afraid to say that they are Communists. He wanted the people in attendance to leave the Convention with the idea that they should be proud to be known as Communists and that 'The Worker' has a great message for the American people. He devoted a portion of his talk to the situation engulfing Negroes in the United States. He regretted that they formed a lower income group. He said that in New York City there is a larger percentage of low income people, whereas in Upstate New York there is a smaller percentage. By low income people, he said

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"he was referring mainly to Negroes, but also to Puerto Ricans. If the comrades cannot sell 'The Worker.' they should give it away so as to let people know what the Party is trying to do for the United States. [redacted] claimed that the Party is recruiting in a positive fashion. In some areas of New York City they have obtained recruits in groups ranging from 15 to 30, mainly among the youth.

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"The Buffalo delegation had to leave prior to the end of the Convention. One obvious theme of the Convention was that Party people should speak out as Communists and stop trying to hide the fact that they are connected with the Party.

"From a review of photographs, it was ascertained that the following persons not previously mentioned in this statement were in attendance at the New York District Communist Party Convention:



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RECOMMENDATION

Copies are being furnished Albany and NYO because of references to matters of security interest there.

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(1 - 100-34334 (GUY HALL)  
(1 - 100-10735 (JAMES JACKSON)  
(1 - 100-253 (HENRY WINSTON)  
(1 - 100-97211 (CP, USA - Factionalism)  
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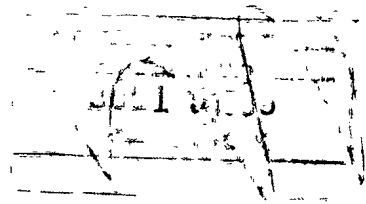
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On July 3, 1966, GUS HALL, General Secretary of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), commented that on the preceding day a meeting of the Secretariat of the CP, USA, had been held in New York City. At this meeting there was a big debate between JIM JACKSON and GIL GREEN during which the latter had attacked JACKSON for his statement which dealt with the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and black power made at the National Convention. HALL noted in this connection that while JACKSON had made a mistake in the way he had presented his remarks at the convention, GREEN had no reason for attacking him in this manner. HALL also noted that at this same Secretariat meeting, GIL GREEN had voted for a resolution, which was defeated, which would have sent WINSTON and himself, HALL, to Mississippi.





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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, dated 6/22/66.

Referenced airtel points out that [redacted] is a light complexioned Negro female, marital status single. It was requested that Detroit, UACD, ascertain whether records of the Detroit Police Department reflect any charges outstanding against [redacted] as indicated by data set forth in the letterhead memorandum enclosed with referenced airtel.

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Based upon the information furnished by Atlanta, records of both the Detroit Police Department, Bureau of Identification, as checked by [redacted] and of the Identification Bureau of the Wayne County Sheriff's Office as checked by Clerk DOROTHY WALL, both on July 12, 1966, were found to be negative. These checks were made by IC [redacted]

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One copy of this communication is furnished to New York for information.

No further action is being taken by the Detroit Division regarding this individual.

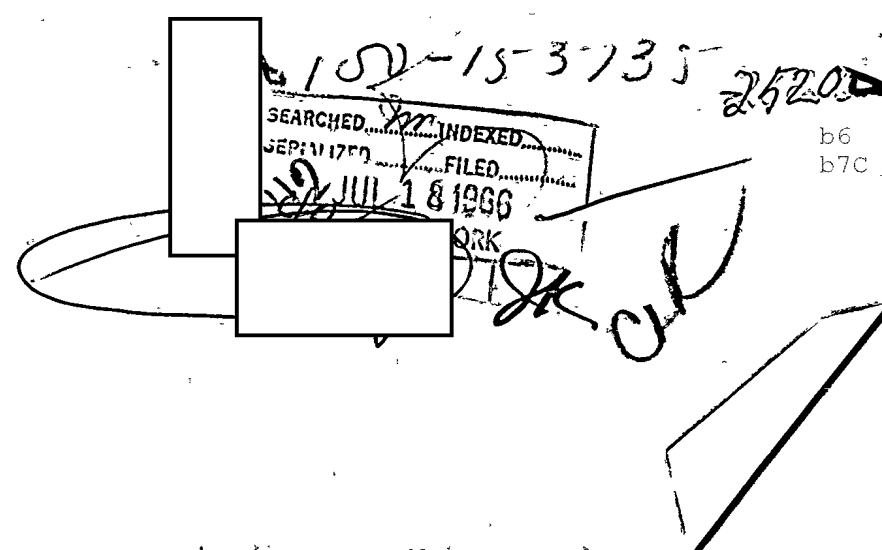
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